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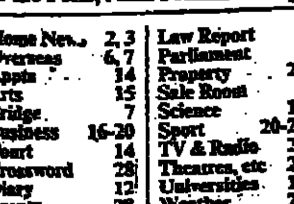
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Queen Beatrix of The Netherlands, holidaying in Italy, escaped uninjured when the car she was driving was in a collision. An Italian couple received minor injuries.

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Lawson hints at tax cuts in return for spending curbs

By Frances Williams, Economics Correspondent

Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, will tell his Cabinet colleagues tomorrow that there could be significant tax cuts in the next Budget if they agree to hold down public spending to its original planned level.

At the moment government departments want to spend £5,000m above published plans, but eliminating them could create scope for perhaps £2,000m of tax reductions next spring, he will argue.

Such reductions would be equivalent to knocking 2p off the basic rate of income tax from 30p to 28p in the pound.

By holding out the hope of tax cuts, Mr Lawson will be aiming to smooth the ruffled feathers of spending ministers angered by what they saw as the Chancellor's "bully-boy" tactics in forcing through his £500m emergency cuts package two weeks ago.

The Budget last March suggested that if public spending in 1984-85 remained at the planned £126,400m this would leave room for about £500m of tax cuts. But Mr Lawson has another card up his sleeve.

He will ask the Cabinet to agree to leave untouched the £3,000m contingency reserve included in next year's plans. This would normally be used to accommodate some of the extra spending bids from government departments, leaving a reserve for unexpected spending during the year of about £1,500m to £2,000m.

By keeping it intact at this stage the Chancellor gives himself an additional £1,000m to £1,500m to use for tax cuts in the spring.

At worst, if government revenues look less buoyant than expected it gives Mr Lawson a cushion allowing him to continue cutting state borrowing, a key element in the battle against inflation, without having to raise taxes as Sir Geoffrey Howe, his predecessor, was forced.

The Chancellor, strongly backed by the Prime Minister, will tomorrow seek Cabinet agreement in principle on both the 1984-85 spending totals and the contingency reserve, before the battle between the Treasury and the spending departments is joined in earnest after the summer recess.

Mrs Thatcher said yesterday in the Commons that the Government expected to adhere to published spending plans for this year and next.

This leaves Mr Peter Rees, Chief Secretary to the Treasury in charge of public spending, with the thankless task of whittling away the £5000m in excess bids.

Though some of the excess typically reflects proposals for new programmes and "padding" which can be eliminated fairly easily, some will eventually be deemed essential. If the contingency reserve is to remain sacrosanct that means a fresh squeeze on other programmes, entailing yet more cuts in services and jobs losses.

With departments still smarting from the latest round of cuts – Mr Rees is due to announce their revised cash limits next week – there are some bruising battles ahead before the Cabinet approves in November the final total and departmental allocations for next year.

The Chancellor will also be concerned to refute suggestions that he "jumped the gun" on spending cuts this year.

These have been prompted by expectations that figures out tomorrow covering the first three months of the 1983-84 financial year will show public borrowing broadly in line with this year's £8,200m target set out in the Budget, despite a huge surge in central government borrowing alone over the same period.

Mr Lawson will argue that his measures were designed to tackle clear evidence of overspending by government departments, and were not primarily influenced by the borrowing figures.

Central government borrowing has been inflated by onlending to local councils and state industries which have used the proceeds to pay off other debts.

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Thatcher hint on share monopoly

Stock Exchange may escape court case

By Philip Robinson

Mrs Thatcher yesterday paved the way for the Stock Exchange to avoid having its rules dragged through the Restrictive Practices Court.

The Prime Minister told MPs during quesstion time in the Commons that if proposals were made by the Stock Exchange Council to settle the action taken by the Office of Fair Trading, Mr Cecil Parkinson, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, was prepared to consider them.

Proceedings against the Stock Exchange were started after the Office of Fair Trading decided that parts of the Exchange's rule book contravened the 1976 Restrictive Practices Act.

The rules say the public can buy shares only through stockbrokers who must buy them only through stockjobbers who trade in the market. The jobbers are not allowed to deal direct with the public. The Exchange also lays down a minimum charge for each transaction. The OFT argues that these represented a restrictive practice

Mrs Thatcher said: "This case s still before the court but that does not preclude the Stock Exchange Council making proposals to settle the matter."

The sudden settlement proposal comes after seven years of intensive lobbying and a total £3m of legal costs on both sides.

Sources in the City were suggesting last night that hints of a settlement have emerged at a time when the Government is anxious for successful sales to the public of shares in nationalized companies.

The largest privatization is likely to be 51 per cent of British Telecom, raising £5bn.

Sir Nicholas Goodison, Stock Exchange chairman, said yesterday: "I have had confidential exploratory discussions and will be discussing some proposals with my council. I welcome the Secretary of State's invitation."

Mrs Thatcher said if the Exchange's proposals were such that the Government could recommend them to Parliament, a statement would be made to the House. If the House recommended a change in this case, an order to exempt the Stock Exchange from the Restrictive Practices Act would have to be made.

She was answering a Commons question from Dr David Owen, SDP MP for Plymouth, Devonport, who wanted an assurance that there was no intention of interfering with the court action.

The case cannot now be stopped without the agreement of both the Stock Exchange and the Office of Fair Trading.

Disclosure by Rees angers Dublin

By Philip Webster
Political Reporter

A political storm erupted in Dublin yesterday after the disclosure by Mr Merlyn Rees, the former Labour Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, that a cabinet committee had seriously considered in the mid-1970's the possibility of a British withdrawal from Ulster.

Mr Rees's statement that withdrawal was discussed, but rejected because nobody, including the Irish Government in Dublin, was in favour of it, brought a demand from the Irish Opposition leader, Mr Charles Haughey, for the Prime Minister Dr Garret Fitzgerald, who was then foreign minister to give a full account of events at the time, Mr Haughey called on Dr Fitzgerald to say whether he used his influence to persuade Britain to remain.

Dr Fitzgerald issued a statement that the Irish government had not been approached about a possible withdrawal.

Mr Rees confirmed to the *The Times* last night that that was "absolutely right". He said: "No policy of withdrawal was put to the Irish government. But I know they did not want a policy of withdrawal."

Mr Rees said yesterday that during the period 1974 to 1976 the committee considered all the options over three months. "They were options papers – complete integration, independence, getting shot of the place and so on. They were seriously considering all of them." Other members of the committee, known as the IN Committee, which was chaired by the Prime Minister, Mr Harold Wilson, confirmed Mr Rees's account.

Mr Rees first made his disclosure in a letter to *The Guardian* in which he denied a suggestion by Mr Wedgwood Benn in an article in that newspaper that Britain retained control of Northern Ireland because of an analysis by the Chiefs of Staff that a unified Ireland might be a defence threat.

But Mr Benn told *The Times* yesterday that Mr Rees's letter appeared to confirm his recollection that the option of withdrawal was never put to the full Cabinet.

Howe's radical rescue plan divides EEC

From Ian Murray, Brussels

EEC foreign ministers split into opposed camps over money-saving proposals unveiled by Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday with the aim of preventing the Community from going bankrupt.

Detailing Britain's rescue plan, Sir Geoffrey proposed limits on agricultural spending and a new system of budget payments based on national means designed to eliminate perennial arguments over members' contribution to community revenue.

The proposals were described as "very interesting" by Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, whose country, like Britain wants to curb spending. Holland, too, was looking for better management.

At this stae, only Sir Geoffrey put forward a detailed financial argument. His strong lecture to the other ministers on the virtues of saving wrung the scornful comment from M Claude Cheysson, his French opposite number, that "of the 10 EEC countries Britain is the only one yet to join the Community".

In M Cheysson's view it was absurd to have started to talk about the budget at this stage.

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The cracked Sikorsky being winched up from the sea yesterday.

17 bodies found as crashed helicopter is salvaged

By Craig Seton and Rupert Morris

The fuselage of the crashed Sikorsky 61 helicopter Oscar November was recovered from 200ft-deep water off St Mary's, in the Isles of Scilly, yesterday.

The bodies of only 17 of the 20 people, mostly holidaymakers, who died in Saturday's crash were found inside.

Last night, the bodies were being taken from the salvage vessel to Penzance for identification by relatives. The police sent officers to help in identifying the dead.

The fuselage, from which only six people escaped, was being taken on to Falmouth and then by road to the Government's accident investigation unit at Farnborough, Hampshire. There experts will examine it in an attempt to discover the cause of the accident.

The helicopter, much of its body intact, was winched on to the deck of the Seaforth Clansman just before 1 pm.

Two coroner's officers were on board the salvage tug as a group of men dressed in white protective overalls and black gloves clambered inside the Sikorsky and began bringing out the bodies. Some of the dead were still strapped in their seats when the machine was brought to the surface.

The six who survived the crash were the two pilots, two Scillies women and two children orpahaned in the accident. The others, including two families of five people, had been carried beneath the waves. The helicopter, which had been on its way Penzance, sank almost immediately.

Divers found the fuselage on its side on a steep sandy dune on the undulating seabed.

The helicopter, seen from a distance of less than 100 yards after it was brought to the surface, appeared to have suffered only comparatively minor structural damage. Several windows in the pilots' cockpit were missing and its black nose cone had gone, as had the two wheel housings.

The rear rotor blades and their housing had also disappeared; of the main rotor blades, three of the five had been sheared off.

The two remaining blades appeared to be complete but had been broken more or less in half, the damaged pieces hanging limply down on the port side. Most windows, including those of the escape hatches, were gone, but on the starboard side the windows and escape areas seemed intact.

The underneath of the fuselage was the worst damaged part. Much of the luggage bay had been ripped out, although the bebris guard, which keeps seabirds from fouling the rotor blades, was still in place.

Most of the bodies were brought out from the rear of the helicopter in canvas slings and taken to a covered area beneath the crane.

The police said that they would be held in the mortuary of the West Cornwall hospital, at Penzance, pending identification.

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Postal prices freeze extended

Britain's profits-rich Post Office has extended its freeze on all main postal prices at least until next April. The move will mean that the 12½p second class post has remained unchanged for two years.

The freeze is part of a drive to increase postal traffic announced yesterday by Mr Ron Dearing, the Post Office chairman. It follows a record year, when postal profits reached £131.6m – the seventh successive year of profitability – topped up by £15.6m profits from National Girobank.

The prices freeze, originally imposed only to the end of the year, covers inland and overseas parcels and letters. Its extension to April will cost the Post Office about £12m. First-class post went up ½p to 16p in April.

Mr Dearing also announced yesterday that special cut-price books of first class stamps – offering savings of nearly 10 per cent – would be on sale from August 10 to September 20. It will contain 10 first class (16p) stamps and cost £1.45, a saving of 15p.

"We are sharing with our customers our success in the past year, achieved against the odds in a period of recession," Mr Dearing added.

Of first class mail 86.9 per cent was delivered by the next day according to the annual report, and 92.6 per cent of second class letters arrived by the third working day after collection.

The Post Office ranks with British Gas among the more successful of the nationalized industries.

Its success in combating the recession, further increasing productivity, lowering costs, exceeding investment intentions and achieving or beating all financial targets last year will make it a more attractive privatization proposition

On Monday, the Institute of Economic Affairs, advocating the selling-off of the Post Office, said its profits derived from increasing prices faster than the cost of labour while also reducing the quality of service.

But Mr Dearing, who is also chairman of the Nationalized Industries' chairmen group, refused yesterday to be drawn too deeply into the privatization debate. The Post Office was not included in the Government's election manifesto and he had no view on privatization, he said. He believed it would prove difficult to disentangle the postal delivery service from the counter service.

The Post Office spent a record £124.7m on capital investment last year, against a target of £115m, and plans to increase this to £130m this year as part of a five-year plan to invest £623m in the service.

Last year, the postal business reduced its real unit costs by 2.2 per cent and increased productivity by 4.8 per cent.

Debategate papers were crucial, says Carter

From Richard Hanson, Tokyo

Former President Jimmy Carter, commenting in Tokyo yesterday on the "Debategate" affair in Washington, said that the debate position papers which may have been passed to Mr Ronald Reagan's election advisers in 1980 "incorporated the very essence" of his campaign. This was the first time that Mr Carter has commented publicly on the scandal.

Mr Reagan had access to all of them, "it was obviously of great benefit" in the crucial debate which helped to sway the election, Mr Carter said, adding that he had "no idea" which papers may have come to the attention of the Reagan campaign.

But, Mr Carter said, it was obvious from examining the papers made available by the Reagan Administration to the Justice Department and the press that there was a "long series of losses from the White House, not just one batch".

The former President, who is in Japan for a six-day private visit, shed no light on who might have passed the papers. The debate papers were known only to a small group of people in the White House; neither his chief of staff nor his campaign manager had access to them, he said.

The debate briefing papers contained details of the issues which Mr Carter's campaign had identified by means of "secret polling" as the most crucial and important, he said, they describe the mistakes made by both candidates in the campaign, issues which might come up in the debate, responses and possible counter-responses.

Mr Carter said that he was not prejudging what the Reagan camp may have had in hand before the debate.

Fossil-hunter unearths Surrey dinosaur

By John Witherow

A Surrey plumber emerged yesterday as the man responsible for what the Natural History Museum, in a fit of enthusiasm, described as possibly "the most important find in Britain this century". Mr William Walker, aged 55, of Springfield Road, Thornton Heath, an amateur fossil collector with a penchant for digging around in the mud at weekends, has turned up the skeleton of an unknown species of carnivorous dinosaur, dating back 124 million years.

Last January Mr Walker discovered a huge clawbone in a Surrey claypit. "I recognized it as a dinosaur claw but I didn't know how important it was", he said. "I gave it a good crack with my hammer and the whole thing disintegrated. I really could have cried. It just shattered,

His son-in-law later took it to the Natural History Museum, where its appearance set pulses racing in the palaeontology department. They were able to identify the foot-long clawbone, indicating the discovery of a new species.

Two scientists set off to the Surrey claypit but were frustrated by the wet spring which turned the area into a sea of mud. It was only last month that they could complete their work of removing three van loads of bones to form a large proportion of the skeleton.

The clawbone of this dinosaur, similar to the megalosaurus, is larger than that of the later Tyrannosaurus Rex, one of the most vicious of flesh eaters. The museum estimates its height at between 10 and 15ft while standing upright and said it would have eaten vegetarian dinosaurs found in the same quarry. Much of the skull is present, with two-inch "teeth" serrated like steak knives."



Megalosaurus, which is similar to Mr William Walker's find.

Carnivorous skeletons are rare and only one other has been found in Britain, although small collections have been discovered over southern England. Dinosaurs did not venture north of Watford, one expert said.

While the museum pieces together the skeleton over the next few months with a view to public display, they will also have the difficult problem of finding a new name for the creature. Dinosaurs are normally identified by a prominent characteristic, such as the huge claw, but they are sometimes named after the discoverer. It could become the Megalosaurus Walkeri.

Dr Richard Moody, an expert on the dinosaur, described it as "tremendously exciting' It's a major find."

Cadet dies in lorry crash at Army range

A boy cadet was killed and more than 20 others were injured – many seriously when an Army lorry crashed on a gunnery range last night.

The four-ton lorry, carrying a group of cadets from the Greater London area, overturned as it was leaving the firing range at Warcop Training Camp, near Appleby in Cumbria.

One cadet died at the scene and ten others suffered serious leg and head injuries. They were taken 35 miles to hospital in Carlisle in a fleet of ambulances under police escort.

The less seriously injured were taken to a military hospital at Catterick camp in North Yorkshire. The boys were on holiday at the camp.

Heseltine challenged on putting Trident into Geneva negotiations

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, was challenged in the Commons last night to say whether the Government would respond to a disarmament breakthrough by putting Trident missiles and warheads int the Geneva talks–.

Opening a debate on the Defence Estimates, Mr Heseltine went on the offensive, outlining the "agenda for peace" of western disarmament proposals.

He said the United States had proposed a mutual reduction to 5,000 warheads in the *Start* talks in Geneva, a move which would reduce existing deployment by about a third.

Mr Heseltine then added: "If these negotiations were to lead to a substantial breakthrough, we have made it clear that Britain, in reviewing the future size of its own irreducible minimum deterrent, would not stand aside from such a breakthrough."

Dr David Owen, leader of the Social Democrats, asked what this meant: "Is he effectively saying that we would reduce substantially the number of Trient missiles and warheads we would be prepared to put Trident missiles into the negotiations?"

The minister replied: "If there were in the Start talks to be a substantial breakthrough in the scale of deployment, that would obviously be taken into account by a British Government in deciding its own irreducible minimum deterrent in the new context that would then exist."

But he failed to respond directly to a question from one of his own backbenchers, Mr Julian Amery, who pointed out that no matter what the Soviet Union did, the British deterrent could not be reduced much further.

Earlier, Mr Heseltine had ruled out a policy of mutual freeze.

Navy to get two frigates

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

The Government is to order two frigates for the Royal Navy, at a cost of up to £130m each.

In the Commons yesterday, Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, announced that he was seeking tenders from shipyards. One frigate will be the last of four replacements for ships lost in the Falklands campaign.

Mr Heseltine said he was inviting tenders from Cammell Laird on Merseyside, Swan Hunters, Tyneside, and Vosper Thorneycroft. The ships will be of the type-22 design.

He also announced the intention to provide 2,000 jobs under the Government's youth training scheme in civil establishments of the Ministry of Defence. The jobs would be available for unemployed between 16 to 18.

Safety trials: Lord Lucas of Chilworth a spokesman for the Department of Transport in the Lords and Jill Allen of the National Federation of the Blind, at a London trial site of a new textured surface to help visually handicapped and wheelchair users at pedestrian crossings. The "pavements" have ramps and are pink with raised bumps (Photograph: Martin Mayer)

Detective tells why he delayed approaching actor

Det Constable Maurice O'Neill told Burnley Crown Court yesterday why he did not approach Peter Adamson, the actor, for 25 minutes after allegedly seeing him indecently assault a girl aged eight in a swimming pool. Mr Adamson plays the part of Len Fairclough in *Coronation Street*, the television series.

Constable O'Neill said that as a police officer it was his duty to arrest immediately the person concerned in a crime. But this time he had waited until the girl came out of the pool because he had wanted to get corroboration from her and needed to know her name.

When he had asked her: "Has anyone in the pool touched you where they shouldn't have done?" she had replied: "No", he said. He was giving evidence at the trial of Mr Adamson, aged 53, who denies indecently assaulting two girls aged eight in the pool at Haslingden, Lancashire.

The detective said that he spent 55 minutes at an underwater observation window watching Mr Adamson in the pool full of children aged between eight and fourteen. A woman police constable was in the pool.

He said he saw the actor with his thumbs inside the swimming constume of a girl aged eight, around her private parts. The incident lasted for no more than 15 seconds and the child was unaware of anything wrong.

Cross-examined by Mr George Carman, QC, for Mr Adamson, Constable O'Neill agreed that the girl seemed perfectly happy and had been enjoying herself when she came out of the pool.

During the 25-minute wait between the alleged incident and his approaching Mr Adamson, the detective said he telephoned the girl's mother and his police station.

He agreed that it was unusual not to arrest immediately a man seen indecently assaulting a child. "I did it for my own reasons", he said.

"My first concern was for the girl. We were not in uniform. We had frightened the girl and she was wary of us."

Mr Carman said: "You were trying to get a complaint from the girl, but you failed".

The constable replied: "No, I was trying to get corroboration. I wanted to know her name."

He agreed that no child had approached the police or a baths attendant with a complaint and that no child had shown any sign of distress, discomfort, or embarrassment.

When he had approached Mr Adamson, he had told him that a complaint had been made. At the police station, the detective said, Mr Adamson had said it was possible that his thumbs were inside the girl's costume, but there was no intent.

The officer agreed with Mr Carman that Mr Adamson had consistently denied any sexual impropriety.

The trial continues today.

Research plea on computers

Many of the programs microcomputers in schools are produced by a "cottage industry" which has little idea of how children learn, according to a report published by the Social Science Research Council yesterday.

It calls for urgent research into the impact of the new technology on education, and the setting up of a technology centre for this purpose.

Microcomputers in Education. A Framework for Research: Morley Sage and David Smith (School Government Publishing, Darby House, Bletchingley Road, Merstham, Redhill, Surrey, £2).



Moving House: Viscount Tonypandy, formerly Mr George Thomas, Speaker of the Commons, in the Moses Room before being introduced to the Lords yesterday. He takes his title from the town in the Rhondda Valley where he was born and went to school.

Lord for only four days

An English businessman who has lived in Australia for more than 20 years is the new Earl of Stradbroke in succession to his father who held the title for four days.

The new Lord Stradbroke, formerly Mr Keith Rous, of New South Wales, was reported to be travelling to England from Paris yesterday after hearing of his father's death on Monday night.

The fourth Lord Stradbroke, who inherited a title created in 1821, was a former Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk and died aged 80 on July 14. His brother, Mr Keith Rous senior, succeeded to the title but died four days later after a lengthy illness at his home in Devon.

Sports day death

Samantha Atherton, the schoolgirl of 13 who was hit in the head by a javelin on Friday during a sports day at Wirral Grammar School for Girls at Bromborough, died yesterday.

Drug remands

Seven men accused of conspiring to import drugs to Britain were remanded in police custody until Friday by magistrates at Stroud, Gloucestershire, yesterday.

Government set to shut anti-CND unit

By Nicholas Timmins

The Government unit set up to combat the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND) is expected to be wound up shortly.

Final decisions on the future of the Ministry of Defence unit, known as Defence Secretariat 19, have still to be taken. But ministers have abandoned the weekly meetings held during the first six months of this year, used to coordinate the Government's campaign against CND and the unilateralists.

Those meetings were chaired by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, and included Home Office and Foreign Office ministers, senior officials, and Mr Bernard Ingham, Mrs Margaret Thatcher's press secretary.

Now there are monthly meetings of officials, and occasional meetings of ministers. Although ministers have not met on the subject since the general election, they are likely to do so before the summer recess to review strategy for the autumn when CND is again planning big demonstrations and the first cruise missiles are due to be deployed in Britain.

Mr Heseltine has said publicly that he does not see a permanent need for a separate unit to combat the unilateralists. Ministers believe that the political steam has gone out of the nuclear issue since the general election, which the Government sees as providing a clear mandate for cruise and Trident, in spite of CND's protest that a majority voted for parties opposed to Trident.

Locket clue to identity of child's body in ditch

From Arthur Osman, Birmingham

Detectives from Lothian and Borders Police returned to Scotland from Leicestershire yesterday with a silver locket and a hairband found on or near the naked body of a murdered child found in a ditch near the village of Twycross on Monday.

The officers intend to show the items to the parents of Caroline Hogg, aged 5, who has been missing from her Edinburgh home for the past 11 days.

In Edinburgh the police said they were "fairly certain" that the body was that of Caroline Hogg but Leicestershire police said they would not confirm it.

Officers from Northumberland and Staffordshire police, involved in the year-long hunt for the killer of Susan Maxwell, aged 11, of Cornhill on Tweed, who was abducted last July, also visited Leicestershire murder headquarters.

● Derbyshire Police said late yesterday that a man had been charged with the murder of Diana Tower, the teenager from Glossop, whose body was found on June 30, partly hidden under the ruins of Melandra Castle, a Roman fort in a park outside the town.

Retaliation fear over soldier

From Richard Ford
The Curragh

An Irish soldier accused of murdering three comrades serving with the United Nations force in the Lebanon was held by military police because of fears of retaliation from colleagues in the company, it was alleged yesterday at a court martial in The Curragh military barracks, co Kildare.

Senior officers feared an attempt to kill Private Michael McAleavey aged 21. Morale would be badly affected if he returned to his company it was said.

Orders were issued that the soldier, from the Lower Falls area of west Belfast, should not be allowed to go anywhere in south Lebanon without being accompanied by military police, the court was told.

Within two weeks of the shooting at a United Nations checkpoint 80 miles south east of Beirut last October officers began to suspect that Private McAleavey was involved in killing the soldiers. They were alarmed at reports hinting at this which appeared in Irish newspapers.

Private McAleavey denies murdering Corporal Gregory Morrow aged 20 from Lurgan, co Armagh, Private Thomas Murphy, aged 19, and Private Michael Burke, aged 20 both from co Dublin.

On the second day of his court martial the seven presiding officers were told that as four witnesses, including three from the American University Medical Centre in Beirut, were unable to travel to the Irish Republic, the court martial would have to go to Lebanon to hear their evidence.

The hearing continues

Move to halt bias against the disabled

By Philip Webster
Political Reporter

Discrimination against disabled people in housing, education, employment and many more other areas would be outlawed under a Bill which is being promoted by a Labour MP with support from all parties.

Mr Robert Wareing, MP for Liverpool, West Derby, finished second in the ballot among MPs for private member's legislation, which means that his Bill intended to stengthen the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act has a good chance of reaching the statute book.

It will implement the main recommendations of the committee on restrictions against disabled people set up by Mr Alf Morris, the former Labour Minister for the Disabled to investigate discrimination.

The Bill will make it illegal to discriminate against disabled people on the grounds of their disability in employment, housing, education, the provision of goods and services, insurance, transport, property rights, occupational pension schemes, membership of associations and clubs, and civic duties and functions.

Atom test screening extended

By Michael Horsnell

A cancer survey of Britons who took part in the nuclear test programme in the 1950s is to be extended to cover 20,000 servicemen and scientists.

The Ministry of Defence, which announced the screening in January, confirmed yesterday that an extra 5,000 Britons would be included in addition to the 15,000 originally listed.

The survey has begun and will take two years to complete. It involves the tracing of servicemen, civilians and scientists who took part in the tests between 1952 and 1958 in Australia and the Pacific Islands.

The survey was announced after growing public concern amid demands by MPs for compensation to relatives of men who contracted cancer after being exposed to radiation.

The Ministry of Defence is producing a control group of servicemen of similar age.

In the past 10 years there have been five applications to the Ministry of Defence from widows of men who died from cancer after taking part in the nuclear tests. All have been rejected.

MPs urge cut in jail population

By a Staff Reporter

Proposals to cut the prison population by up to 7,000 immediately and produce a permanent reduction in numbrs were put forward yesterday by an all-party group of MPs.

With almost 44,000 prisoners in England and Wales in prisons that can cope with 37,000, the parliamentary all-party penal affairs group said that prisons are in a crisis that risks becoming a catastrophe.

Overcrowding is such that "conditions make a mockery of the prison system's stated aim of preparing prisoners to lead a good and useful life", the MPs said.

The group proposed a four-point plan which could, it said, be put into effect immediately.

The Home Secretary should use the "executive release" provisions in last year's Criminal Justice Act to release all non-violent offenders serving sentences under three years who are in the last six months of their sentence. That would produce a cut of 7,000

Parole should be available for those serving short sentences after six months rather than a year, a move that would reduce the prison population permanently by about 2,500.

There should be a substantial increase in the probation service. Up to 8,000 people could be kept out of prison if each main grade probation officer could take on two more cases.

Sale Room

Second painting eludes Scots

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

The Glasgow Museum and Gallery disclosed yesterday that it had tried unsuccessfully to persuade Christie's to withdraw a portrait from last Friday's auction and make a private sale to the museum.

The disclosure comes in the wake of a report in *The Times* that Christie's had rejected an offer for a picture from the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, while accepting an offer for another one from the National Portrait Gallery in London.

The picture that Glasgow wanted was a ravishing seventeenth-century "Portrait of Miss May" by John Michael Wright, a Scottish artist. Mr Alastair Auld, the curator, said yesterday that he was surprised when the offer was not accepted.

"I was grateful to Christie's for passing the offer on to the owners. I can see how the tax free status of private sales to museums militates against the auction houses. Owners are usually better off if they accept private treaty sales."

As in the case of the Smuglevicz which Edinburgh wanted Christie's had said it would put a high protective reserve on the Wright portrait, Mr Auld said. But it found a bidder prepared to top the reserve. The painting had been estimated at £6,000 to £10,000 but sold at £48,600.

Capital transfer and capital gains tax are waived in the case of private treaty sales to national institutions. All three portraits on which Christie's received offers before Friday's sale were from the estate of Mrs Elsie Tritton of Godmersham Park in Kent.

● Southeby's set a new auction price record for a golf ball yesterday at £1,760, almost doubling the previous record of £950 established at Christie's in 1981. They also set a new record for a golf club at £1,870.

The huge prices arise from new collecting interest in historic sporting equipment, notably the United States. Both ball and club were bought by the Old Golf Shop of Cincinnati, Ohio. The ball was a fine William Gourlay feathery golf ball dating from around 1840. The iron dates from around 1820.



"Portrait of Miss May": Glasgow's offer was not enough to secure a private sale throught Christie's.

Frankfurt printing plan

FT journalists join talks

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

Jounalists' leaders at the strike-bound *Financial Times* are to meet the management today to discuss a plan to republish the Frankfurt edition of the newspaper within the next 10 days.

The company is said to have secured an agreement with a West German union to produce the normal print run of up to 60,000 copies.

The scheme would mean that work normally performed by members of the National Graphical Association, (NGA) the union on stike over pay, would be covered by the management.

Under usual circumstances, pages of the newspaper are transmitted by facsimile machine from London to Frankfurt and printed there. The suggested procedure would involve members of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ) working normally and their copy, rather then completed pages, being transmitted to West Germany by the management. Under the plan pages would be made up in Frankfurt.

The NUJ leaders will report on their discussions to the chapel [office branch]. The national leadership of the jounalists' union is expected to advise its members at the newspaper that they should not do anything to break the strike as long as it is official.

Nevertheless the move is intended to increase pressure on the NGA national council which meets tomorrow to discuss the seven-week stoppage by 270 of its members over the pay of 22 machine minders. They are claiming a "substantial" rise on an offer of £304.67, which was endorsed by mediation.

The council is expected to reject a call by Mr Len Murray, TUC General Secretary, for acceptance of the mediator's report which he underwrote.

The management has been nurturing ambitious plans to produce the entire print run, either in Germany or Scotland, with union help. Thus far the company has not seriously envisaged a completely non-union publication, partly because of managerial philosophy and partly because it would be impractical.

The plans require that either the NGA is outlawed by an increasingly irate TUC, or that the union itself expels or suspends the chapel at the centre of the dispute or all its members at the newspaper.

The first option requires draconian and highly unusual decisions by the TUC. After such measures, the German print union, it is argued, would feel able to produce the full print run of the newspaper and still keep within international fraternal agreements and Sogat '82 could well be disposed to distribute it in Britain.

Alternatively Sogat '82, many of whose members in Scotland perform the same tasks as the NGA in England, might consider it legitimate to print the newspaper and distribute it south of the border.

In either case the newspaper would have to cope with strong action by NGA members wishing to disrupt the logistics. There is also the privately promulgated Armageddon option, whereby, whatever the laws of the land, the NGA would "close Fleet Street". An isolated NGA is not necessarily an ineffective NGA.

The second and third options, a split between the national leadership of the union and members at the newspaper, shows little sign of materializing.

Presumably if all three NGA chapels at the newspaper were outlawed by the union, the company would again opt for Scottish or Germasn production. Any action by the "rebels" would be limited to picketing.

If there was a split in the chapels so that the NGA men in the composing room and the foundry joined the national leadership in isolating the machine managers, then the work of the recalcitrants could probably be done by Sogat '82 machine assistants under the direction and with the help of the management.

Meanwhile Mr William Keys, general secretary of Sogat '82 and chairman of the TUC's printing industry committee, has been asked by the newspaper to consider plans for the republication of the paper, either without the NGA or its members at the paper.

Science report will in future appear on the Court Page which today is page 14.

Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 28; Bahrain BD 0.650; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.50; Canaries Pes 150; Cyprus 550 mils; Denmark Dkr 7.50; Dubai Dir 7.00; Finland Mkk 7.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.25; Iran Ri 150; Iraq LD 0.500; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Jordan LD 0.425; Kuwait KD 0.500; Lebanon LL 4.00; Luxembourg Lf 35; Madeira Esc 120; Morocco Dir 7; Norway Kr 7.50; Oman OR 0.700; Pakistan Rps 12; Portugal Esc 125; Qatar QR 7.50; Saudi Arabia SR 4.50; Singapore $5.00; Spain Pes 150; Sweden Skr 8.00; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Syria LS8.50; Tunisia Din 0.600; USA $1.50; UAE Dir 7.00; Yugoslavia Din 100

Public spending: 1

Howe's £2,250m bluff is called

Ahead of the tussle in tomorrow's Cabinet over public spending plans for next year, FRANCES WILLIAMS, Economics Correspondent examines the background to the tough decisions facing the Government. Today, the first signs of trouble.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, may have been unexpectedly quick off the mark in pushing through Cabinet his emergency £1,000m package to curb runaway public spending this year. But such a move, at some point, was made inevitable by the pre-election fudge of the 1983-84 spending plans by Sir Geoffrey Howe, his predecessor.

To satisfy the electorate and the financial markets Sir Geoffrey needed to deliver tax cuts and lower public borrowing in his 1983 Budget. That could be done only by keeping down public spending. But spending on all the Government's programmes was planned to rise this year as it had done in each year of the Conservatives' term of office.

So the total was cleverly massaged. First, the Treasury explicitly assumed that departments would spend less than planned, on the ground that the cash limit system of public spending control automatically produced undershooting becasue officials dared not risk breaching their limits. The "allowance for shortfall" knocked £1,200m off the planned spending total.

Second, officials reduced the contingency reserve for unexpected calls on the Exchequer from £2,250m in 1982-83 to £1,500m in 1983-84, claiming that the larger sum was unnecessarily large.

The effect of the measures was to reduce published spending plans by nearly £2,000m but to leave the government virtually no room for manoeuvre if things went wrong.

No sooner had Sir Geoffrey sat down from delivering his Budget, which "gave away" in tax cuts about £2,250m, than his bluff was called. Instead of spending £1,700m less than the £114,700m planned for 1982-83, as the Treasury expected, government departments went on a spree of unprecedented proportions. In little over a fortnight they spend the lot.

At first the Government claimed that much of that late burst of spending involved bringing forward some payments from 1983-84, easing departments' budgets for this year. But figures for the early months of the new financial year disclosed that spending was still running ahead of plans.

In the first three months of the financial year, central government spending was more than 9 per cent higher than a year earlier, compared with an increase of 5.5 per cent predicted in the Budget. If continued for the whole of the year departmental spending alone would add more than £3,000 to the £119,700m total planned.

Almost all the overshooting identified so far relates to programmes which are determined by demand and are not subject to cash limits, which cover only 40 per cent of total public spending.

Of the £1,000m in extra cash the Government has asked Parliament to approve, about two thirds of which will be offset by cuts elsewhere or met from the contingency reserve, more than half represents higher than expected payments of social security benefits because take-up had been underestimated. Most of the rest involves higher EEC spending, notably to help to finance the Community's growing butter mountain.

To add to Mr Lawson's troubles, local authorities' present spending, over which he has little direct control, is running about £1,000m over plans, though undershooting on their capital spending, in large part due to proceeds of council house sales being counted as negative spending, broadly offset the impact on the total.

Tomorrow: Tackling overspending

£14,000 for dismissed union man

Mr Glenn Campbell, a casino worker is believed to be the first person in the country to be awarded money, for joining a trade union. Mr Campbell aged 24, from Halifax, and a male croupier joined the Transport Union during a disagreement and was then dismissed from Napoleon's Casino in Bradford, West Yorkshire.

The croupier settled his case privately, but Mr Campbell successfully fought his case against A & S Entertainments, of Sheffield, at an industrial tribunal.

The award was made under the Employment Act, 1982, which guarantees a minimum of £10,000 for people dismissed for joining a union. His union's district headquarters in Leeds said yesterday: "We are delighted. This case shows that no one should have any worries about joining a union. We are now recruiting members from casinos in our area."

The £14,000 is made up of compensation for unfair dismissal.

Beatles' old school is criticized over poor results and truancy

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

evastating criticism of a erpool school attended by former Beatles, George rison and Paul McCartney, of two surviving grammar ools in the city, was pub- ed yesterday by the school pectors (HMI), who said e matters needed urgent ntion.

he physical environment in erpool Institute for Boys, a ool that once enjoyed great nomic success, was intoler- : they said. Examination ilts were disappointing, the aviour of pupils in some ses were unacceptable with h truency, and many boys e receiving no instruction at in music, careers, and gious studies.

There are many pupils of all s and abilities who are failing each the levels of attainment t might be expected", the ort said. "In particular, in gious education and music h what is provided and the lity of the little work done unacceptable."

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of te for Education and Science, written to the city council, ich is controlled by the left, say that he has read the ort with concern and finds it turbing.

"Obviously you will want to sider the implications of the ort urgently and I would ect you to inform the partment of what you have ne and are doing to put itters right," he said.

"The report underlines the gent need for the authority to me to grips with the manage- nt and rational organization its county secondary school provision in the interests of Liverpool's children.

"It also suggests that the authority will need to review its arrangements for informing itself about the quality of performance in its schools and for taking appropriate measures to secure improvement in that performance."

The school, whish has 594 boys in a listed Victorian building, has had a question mark hanging over its future for the past 18 years. Education



Paul McCartney (left) and George Harrison: School under fire.

ministers have twice rejected plans to make it a comprehensive school and since 1965 it has been run by a succession of head teachers appointed initially in a temporary capacity.

It had been neglected for a long time, the inspectors, who visited the school in February and March this year, said. Roofs were leaking and buildings were dirty and unpainted. Some of the laboratories were antiquated; the outdoor lavatories had no paper, towels or soap; and the indoor lavatories were locked and unused.

Mr Dominic Brady, Liverpool's education committee chairman, said that if the HMIs had "criticized us at a time when facilities and cash were available, then they would have had an argument".

A spokesman for Paul McCartney said that the former Beatle would be greatly concerned about the future of his old school.

Records 'not kept'

A progressive school in Coventry has been criticized for failing to use the proper procedures for appointing teachers and for derogatory remarks made by senior male staff to women teachers.

The criticism comes in a report of a formal investigation into Sidney Stringer School by the Equal Opportunities Commission, which said that because of the lack of proper school records it had been impossible to glean what lay behind appointments and promotions.

The commission says it was concerned that 40 teachers complained that there had been a strong bias against women in appointments and promotions. It found that decisions on many of the appointments between January, 1976, and January, 1979, were taken by the head without consulting the governors, as he should.

The commission recommends that Coventry's director of education should ensure that proper records are kept.

Formal Investigation Report: Sidney Stringer School and Community College, Coventry (publicity section, EOC, Overseas House, Quay Street, Manchester; £3).



Orthodox Jews demonstrating in High Street Kensington, near the Israeli Embassy yesterday against what they consider the desecration of ancient graves in Jerusalem by Archaeologists. They believe that sites in old Jerusalem now being excavated contain the remains of Jewish sages from Biblical times. (Photograph: Chris Harris).

Police hurt as gang frees man

A gang of eight people attacked three policemen and helped a man believed to be a "free Dennis Kelly" campaign supporter to escape from custody. two policemen saw a man daubing the word "Dennis" in paint on a wall at the corner of Burlington Street and Vauxhall Road, Liverpool, just before midnight on Monday and arrested him.

They took him back to a third officer at a police vehicle, but then were attacked, the police said.

The policemen were pushed and kicked and suffered facial injuries. Two were taken off duty with bruises and badly swollen eyes.

Dennis Kelley, who was jailed for life last month for murder, is appealing against his conviction, and supporters have launched a campaign in his support.

Last week, the police and Kelly supporters clashed outside Walton prison, Liverpool. One constable was suspended during an investigation of the police operation.

The sixth green at Royal Birkdale, Southport, was vandalized before the third round of the Open Golf Championship on Saturday by intruders who daubed "Dennis Kelly" slogans on the green and dug up the turf. The official committee has apologized and denied responsibility for that incident.

Yesterday, Mr Lester Shields, the campaign spokesman, condemned the attack. "We are shocked, and we would always condemn any attack on the police", he said.

Moneylender on menaces charge

Sammy Davis, aged 18, a moneylender, terrified Miss Susan Blair, also aged 18, by demanding £1-a-day interest on a £5 loan, it was alleged at Gloucester Crown Court yesterday.

In less than a month Davis, of Regent Street, Gloucester, claimed she owed him £38, and told her he would break her arms, legs and neck if she did not pay up, the court was told. He denies two charges of making unwarranted demands for money with menaces. The trial continues today.

Injured PC gets £65,000

Police Constable Robert Deards, who was dragged 25 yards along the road by a car when he attempted to question the driver, was awrded £65,000 agreed damages in the High Court in London yesterday.

PC Deards, aged 37, of Woodside Avenue, Highgate, north London, injured his shoulder and wrist. The driver Kevin Drayton-Thomas, of Ashinton, Romford Essex was convicted in July, 1975, of dangerous driving and assault.

£700,000 saving

Cambridgeshire County Council has signed contracts with three private companies to take over the cleaning of 210 of its schools from next September. The council said yesterday the move will save £700,000 year.

'Lethal' tyres

Mr Douglas Hoyle, Labour MP for Warrington, North, tabled a commons question yesterday urging the Secretary of State for Trade to stop the import of "lethal" reject tyres which he said were intended for bullock carts in the Far East.

PC bailed

Police Constable Richards Mahaffy, aged 27, of Victoria Road, Stoke Newington, who is accused of assault, and trying to pervert justice, was committed on unconditional bail from Horseferry Road Court yesterday to stand trial at the Central Criminal Court.

Cell hanging

John Arwal Jones, aged 25, who was serving three-and-a-quarter years for theft, robbery, and branch of a suspended sentence, was found hanged in his cell at Liverpool prison yesterday.

Mental services 'near crisis'

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

Services for the mentally ill e approaching crisis point ecause the rundown of large ental hospitals has not been atched by community alterna- ves, an inquiry set up by the ichmond Fellowship said esterday. The inquiry, under he chairmanship of Lord ongford, called for new legis- ation to place mandatory luties on councils to provide proper facilities for former nental patients.

Professor John Wing of the Isntitute of Psychiatry, London University and a member of the inquiry ream, said the unreasonable level of mental aftercare facilities was leading to people needing help liing in cardboard boxes under bridges. Services for them had low priority because their handicaps were invisible.

He suggested that the present arrangements, with health service money gradually being withdrawn over a period of years, should be changed to encourage more local authorities to start new schemes. Hospital inpatient services for the mentally ill were costing £760m a year, compared with about £40m from local authority social services departments. It might be easier for hospitals set up community services themselves.

The inquiry report, which is being sent to ministers, local authorities and voluntary mental health groups, calls for a new development fund, a designated minister and coordinating machinery to construct a coordinted policy for services in the community. It also wants such services to be monitored along the lines of schools inspectors to report regularly and publicly to the Department of Health and Social Security on progress.

Mental Health and the Community. Report of the (Richmond Fellowship Enquiry. (Richmond Fellowship Press, 8 Addison Road, London W14 8DL; £2.50).

Son of Lymeswold launched

By Our Environment Correspondent

The old church at Tendale nestles beneath a hillside by a road that winds past fields and hedges. Its attractions include primroses, one of the best loved flowers of spring, and poppies, one of the best – known country sights in high summer. In Tendale The two flowers are in bloom simultaneously.

Like Lymeswold, its more famous neighbour, Tendale exists only on cheese labels. Its task is to emphasize the agricultural origins of a factory product and to hold back the invasion of cheese from abroad.

Tendale was invented by Dairy Crest, the marketing section of the Milk Marketing Board. "Tendale does not exist", the board explained yesterday." It is a name selected after careful research which indicated that it evoked the essential Englishness of the brand with overtones of the countryside where it is made."

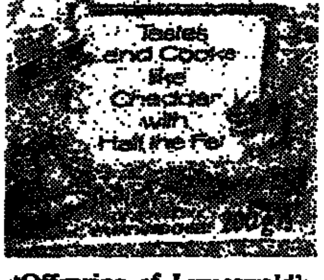
Lymeswold is a soft blue cheese unrelated to any other British variety. Tendale is the name given to new varieties of Cheddar and Cheshire which contain half of the fat of their originals. But the commercial thinking behind the two is identical, and Tendale can fairly be regarded as the son of Lymeswold.

Both are expensive and both have been given invented names which cannot be used by rivals. Cheddar is a process as well as a place so that users of the process abroad are at liberty to sell Dutch, French and Irish Cheddar in Britain.

Invented brand names can be protected in law against use by competitors. The English countryside is full of evocative suffixes like –. vale and – minster which may eventually appear on new groceries. The board has chosen Clover for its next innovation: a low-fat butter due to appear next month.

"Trimmers" is the name chosen by the board to define the customers likely to buy the new cheese.





'Offspring of Lymeswold': Another cheese and another invented part of rural England

Mother challenges Pill advice

Promiscuity 'sold in schools'

By David Nicholson-Lord

The father of 10 children whose wife is challenging the provision of the Pill to girls under 16 without their parents' consent yesterday accused the Department of Health and Social Security of undermining the fabric of the family and "selling promiscuity in the schools". His wife, Mrs Victoria Gillick, aged 36, of Old Market, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, is seeking a High Court declaration against a department circular in 1980 advising doctors that they can provide contraceptive advice and treatment without parental knowledge or consent.

Mr Gordon Gillick, age 43, who has so far adopted a secondary role in the action, described himself as "totally in agreement" with his wife's stance on the issue.

He added: "In fact I probably get rather more heated about it than she does. We thrash these things out between us and argue about every possible point but my wife has the ability to write it all down." The case brought the couple, which is being financed out of legal aid, is being watched with intense interest by civil servants and pressure groups. Mrs Phyllis Bowman, national director of the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Children, yesterday described the position adopted by the department as "absolutely appalling" and forecast a parliamentary campaign to tighten the law if the Gillicks lost their case.

Mr Gillick, a self-employed graphic designer, said he and his wife would appeal if the High Court found against them. He estimated that legal costs so far were up to £2,000 but said they had spent probably £1,000 of their own money on travel, telephone bills and stationery costs involved.

"I am not worried about money", he said. "Like Mother Theresa, I believe the money will turn up. The Lord always provides."

The Gillicks' children are aged from one to fifteen. Five of them are girls, the eldest of whom is 13. None of them has been personally involved in receiving contraceptive advice.

The family's campaign against the health authorities began in January, 1981, after the couple discovered that doctors were putting girls under 16 on the Pill because of their parents' "old fashioned" beliefs. The judgment, the couple say, was clearly moral rather than medical.

Mr Gillick said that he and his wife, both Roman Catholics, had acted independently and were not supported by any organization.

"Frankly it is a big waste of time but if a thing is so glaringly wrong and so glaringly undermining the family fabric, which is essential in society, we felt we had no choice.

"Mr children are not going to kick over the traces but if they do later on that is their choice. But it is the intervention in the family by the Department of Health and its agents, like the Family Planning Association, that we feel is so wrong.

"They actually go round and sell promiscuity in the schools. They wear different shirts but they are all the same sort of team."

An ironic perspective on the case came yesterday when Jessie Gillick, aged nine, one of their daughters, was taken to hospital in King's Lynn with appendicitis while the couple were in London. At 2.30 am the hospital telephoned for consent for an operation.

Judgment deferred

Doctors who put under-age girls on the Pill are not encouraging them to have unlawful sexual intercourse councel for the Department of Health and Social Security (DHSS), argued in court yesterday.

Contraceptives are prescribed to those aged under 16 for their own good, to stop unwanted pregnancies, Mr Simon Brown said. He was contesting a mother's attempt in the High Court to have declared unlawful a DHSS circular advising doctors that they can give contraceptive advice and treatment to under-age girls without their parents' consent.

Mr Justice Woolf announced after hearing the submission that he would give his judgment before the end of the month.

Mr Brown said: "There is no reason to suppose that doctors at family planning clinics want their young patients to have unlawful sex.

The case was brought by Mrs Victoria Gillick, a mother of 10 children, of Old Market, Wisbech, Cambridgeshire. She has asked the judge to rule that none of her five daughters will be given contraceptive advice without her knowledge or consent.

Mrs Gillick, aged 36, who was in court with Mr Gordon Gillick, her husband, sought an order that the DHSS circular was unlawful.



Mrs Victoria Gillick: Opposing doctors over contraceptives.

Obstructive councils criticized

By Our Local Government Correspondent

Several local authorities have flatly refused to remedy wrongs sufered by the public hey are supposed to be erving", according to *Your Local Ombudsman*, a report ublished today by the Commission for Local Administration in Englan.

Mr Pat Cook, local ombudsman for the North of England, eported mounting pressure for tatutory enforcement of the ommission's findings because ome councils refused to respond to its independent and mpartial criticism.

Hastings and Wandsworth ouncils are singled out for riticism of their obstructive ttitude. Dr David Yardley, who investigates for the Commission for Local Administation [the local ombudsman's ffice] in London and the outh-east, said: "Their attitude oes nothing to enhance their eputation or that of local overnment in general."

During the past year there as been a 2 per cent increase in omplaints against councils,

Your Local Ombudsman, Report r the year ended March 31, 1983 The Commission for Local Administration in England, 21 Queen nne's Gate, London SW1, 9BU; ee).

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Dispute on German blanks for mint

A firm of coinmakers is angry over a disclosure that the West Germans have produced thousands of 10p coin blanks for the Royal Mint.

Mr Colin Perry, managing director of the independent Birmingham Mint Ltd, said yesterday that the West German Government had refused to allow British companies to make blanks for Deutschmarks and coins above that value, on the ground that it would be a security risk.

The Mint has raised its complaints with the European Commission.

The Germans allege that the blanks could be stolen and used in vending machines in their country, but Mr Perry said their claim was ridiculous. "They will only allow British companies to tender for low-value coins under one mark", he said.

There is a worldwide trade in coin blanks, which are normally stamped with national markings in the country buying them. The Confederation of British Industry said it had recently done a survey in the Birmingham area into unfair trading and found evidence that some European countries, including West Germany, made use of the EEC to increase their exports share in Britain, while setting up barriers to stop British companies selling their products in Europe.

Kent apology over Pope

By a Staff Reporter

Mgr Bruce Kent, general secretary of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, said yesterday that he "appologized profoundly" for comments he made about the Pope in an interview published yesterday in *Woman* magazine.

His comment, that the Pope's attitude to women and his view of the life of the clergy was "unbleievable", was, he said "dreadful". "I feel extremely guilty about this".

But, he said in a BBC radio interview yesterday, the issues he had raised should be discussed. "I do not regret at all the idea that one can discuss issues like the nationalism of the Pope or feminism. I deeply regret that in that article they came out in that form.

"I think that was very much to do with the enormous pressures I was under at that time at the beginning of May. I was being accused of being a Soviet dupe and at a time of very high strain I reacted very badly and I am extremely sorry about it.

Expert on icons cleared of stealing books

The former head of Christie's icon department, who was accused of stealing nearly 100 of its rare art books after she was made redundant, was acquitted by a jury at Southwark Crown Court yesterday.

Mrs Elvira Cooper, aged 42, who had said "icons are my life", had kept 97 reference books at her home in Willow Road, Hampstead, north London, because she "hated going to libraries". She was writing a book on Russian icons.

She built up the department during her 11 years with the company. She told the police that Christie's was being malicious and vindictive. Mrs Cooper did not give evidence.

Mr Neville Sarony, for the defence, said that there was "enormous hostility" between Mrs Cooper and Mr Alexander Solodkoff, her successor, who became head of a merged department after icon sales slumped.

He added that the high water mark of Christie's "unbelievable beaviour" was reached when Mr Solodkoff told the jury that Mrs Cooper would have had to arrange an appointment with him had she wanted to discuss the missing books. He had never asked her to return them.

Mr Saroy said that the accusation had been a nightmare for Mrs Cooper, who had denied 10 specimen charges of theft.

Rare chicks

The only pair of rare South American Crested Screamer birds to breed in Britain this year have produced five chicks at the Wildfowl Trust nature reserve in Slimbridge, Gloucestershire.

Giscard wins damages

The former President of France, Valéry Gisgard d'Estaing, and his wife, Anne-Aymone, accepted an apology, "substantial" damages and their costs in settlement of a libel action yesterday in the High Court over a newspaper article which wrongly stated that M Giscard had begun divorce proceedings.

The couple, who have been married for 30 years, had sued Associated Newpapers and Mr David Skan, editor of the diary column of *The Mail on Sunday*.

Mr John Previte, their counsel, told Mr Justice Neill that in *The Mail on Sunday* on February 27, Mr Skan wrote an article headed "Giscard set to divorce at last". The allegations in the article were wholly untrue, as was acknowledged by the defendants as soon as complaint was made.

"Unfortunately these false reports, which caused great distress and embarrassment to Monsieur and Madame d'Estaing, received wide publicity in the European press," he said.

People prefer wildlife on TV to zoo visits

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

The economic survival of many of Britain's 150 zoos and wildfife parks is treatened by heir organizers' disdain for the public, Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, chairman of a zoo investigation for the English Tourist Board, said yesterday.

He called on the organizers to drop the "naive" assumption that crowds of visitors would destroy the status of zoos as centrs of research. His investigation concluded that they should give visitors better catering and car parks and fewer Latin label.

"If the recommendations are ignored, I fear that the future of many as major visitor attractions will be in great danger", Lord Montagu said. Mr Michael Montagne, chairman of the board, called the report a "commercial Bible".

Both men were speaking at a press conference about the report, which says that zoos can no longer survive merely as menageries. "Today's consumers are more sophisticated and do not want merely to share at endless varieties of animals in cages."

Research by Lord Montagu's team showed that many people preferred to learn about exotic wildfife from television rather than from zoos, and would rather visit leisure parks and historic houses.

Lord Montagu added that half of all the tourist attractions in Britain had been created in the past 10 years and were designed to appeal to vistors. Many zoos were much older and had been built when there were few rival attractions.

Offenders warned

● Government inspectors found 17 infringements of the law on animal experiments last year, but there were no prosecutions. The Home Office said yesterday in its latest bulletin about animal experiments that most of the offenders were given warnings, one had a police caution.

Judge tells the suicidal to 'do job properly'

Judge Richards, who fined a man who admitted rape, was at the centre of another controversy yesterday after telling would-be suicides they should do the job properly.

"I wish these people would show more efficiency about these overdoses, how much trouble they would save", he said at Bury St Edmunds Crown Court.

The judge made the remarkes on Monday after a hearing that Marcus Moseng, aged 26, an epileptic who admitted forgery, deception and burglary had made several suicide attempts. He rejected a defence plea to send the man for treatment after describing him as "a perpetual miserable swindler" and jailed him for a year.

Last night the Samaritans organization said: "If suicidal people took the judge's advice literally we would lose 200,000 people a year.

Mr David Evans, joint general secretary said: "We do not consider the judge's reported words represent the general attitude to overdoses. For example a dozen people who survived jumping off the Golden Gate Bridge are all leading worthwhile lives now.

"But we do agree that all attempts are dangerous. It is so much better to talk over troubles or despair with friends, doctors or us".

Judge Richards was told that Moseng, a bachelor with a criminal record, had admitted four offences, including one of forgery and one of cheque deception, and asked for seven more offences to be considered.

Dr Alan Morrell, a psychiatrist, told the court that Moseng was an epileptic who resorted to irresponsible behaviour under stress and came from a deprived background. He could be helped by psychiatric treatment, the doctor said.

But the judge described Moseng's suicide attempts as simulated and added: "There are so many of these people. What am I to do wih you? You are one of the weaker brethren".

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Commentary

Geoffrey Smith

Everything that happens now in the Labour leadership contest has to be assessed on the assumption that Mr Kinnock is going to win. Of the other three in the race, only Mr Hattersley is a serious rival – and there is almost certainly nothing that he could now do that would give him a chance of overtaking Mr Kinnock. Yet this makes Mr Hattersley's personal manifesto, *A Duty To Win*, more not less interesting.

If he believes that this forthright statement of his position will somehow give him a possibility of victory, he is wasting his time.

If he believes that it will improve his prospects of being elected deputy leader, he is probably miscalculating. It should strengthen the confidence of those who have been wondering whether he has the stomach to fight for his convictions – but most of these people, whatever their doubts, would have voted for him rather than for Mr Michael Meacher anyway. His plea for an incomes policy may appeal to some of the unions representing the low paid.

But his chances of winning this contest will depend critically on many of those who support Mr Kinnock for leader voting for Mr Hattersley as the deputy leader in the belief that this would be the "dream ticket" that would both satisfy the party and attract the electorate. Yet people of this persuasion will be less likely to vote for Mr Hattersley if they feel that he is distancing himself too far from Mr Kinnock.

How far would be too far? It would be an advantage for Mr Kinnock to have a deputy who clearly came from the other wing of the party: an all-left leadership would make it immeasurably harder to recover the confidence of the general public. But Mr Kinnock's supporters would be worried at the thought of electing a deputy with whom there would be persistent policy clashes.

Already some of his supporters have been given nervous twinges by Mr Hattersley's manifesto. They have been upset by his reference to "would-be philosophers" at party headquarters during the election campaign – though that gibe should be forgotten soon enough. They think his espousal of an incomes policy inopportune. They resent his criticism that Labour's economic proposals in the election lacked credibility; and they differ with him over disarmament.

It is the disagreements over economic policy and disarmament that matter most. Mr Kinnock has been at pains to play down the differences between them. That is natural enough: if he is ever to be Prime Minister, Mr Kinnock needs Mr Hattersley at least as much as Mr Hattersley needs the deputy leadership.

In his own manifesto Mr Kinnock has removed the European Community as a point of contention between them by referring to withdrawal as no more than a last resort. He was studiously imprecise in several other areas, but he repeated the commitment to ban American nuclear weapons from Britain. Mr Hattersley could not accept that and be true to his declared beliefs. In publishing his manifesto he is unlikely, therefore, to have increased his chances of the deputy leadership, because he has drawn attention to the possibilities of conflict between them.

But this is what makes his manifesto significant. The only logical basis for it is that Mr Hattersley has decided to establish the ground on which he intends to conduct his future battles within the party, whether or not as deputy leader. There are some, even among his potential supporters, who have little or no confidence that he will stick to his position. They fear that he will fudge, fudge and fudge again. But if they are right, Mr Hattersley will be making nonsense of his own manifesto.

His decision to publish such a statement at this time makes sense not as a last desperate shot in the leadership contest, nor as an attempt to clinch the deputy leadership, but as the first salvo in the new battle for influence within the party. Whether or not he becomes deputy leader is of less importance than the outcome of that battle. He has staked out a position that would bring Labour more into line with the thinking of the electorate. Unless the party is prepared to move in this direction it will soon become relatively unimportant who holds power in its ranks.

Unions badly in need of advice on democracy

COMMONS

The trade unions might not want his advice on democracy but they certainly needed it badly, Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Employment, said during questions in the Commons. He regretted that the TUC had declined to participate in consultations on the green paper *Democracy in Trade Unions* but their comments on the proposals for legislation, which he had announced last Tuesday, would be welcome.

Mr Mark Lennox-Boyd (Morecambe and Lunsdale, C): When he meets leaders of the trade unions will he consider making these suggestions: that after the hub-bub and the shouting has died down and the proposals have become law, they will find that their leadership is renewed and invigorated because they will find that they are acting on a clear mandate taken by a majority of their members? Secondly, that if they seek to call an official strike, it will be at the clear request of a majority of their members?

Mr Tebbit: Democracy would be no bad thing in the trade union movement.

Mr Ioan Evans (Cynon Valley, Lab): The trade union movement is already democratic. Members determine the constitution, and if he wants to introduce secret ballots that is something they can decide at the annual conference. There is no need for him to dictate to the trade union movement.

Mr Tebbit: I do not think that to suggest that there are democratic elections is a mark of dictatorship. I have quoted many times the words of the chairman of the TUC who said in the past and up to now, that the extreme left have lied, intrigued, manipulated and resorted to intimidation to get their way.

Mr Reginald Prentice (Daventry, C): Has he noted the admirable speech of the General Secretary of the Civil and Public Servants Association? Would he welcome it as a sign of the kind of new thinking in the trade union movement that could lead it to take a more modern role and escape from the out-dated idea of a trade union movement as a political wing?

Mr Tebbit: I read Mr Graham's speech with great interest. It shows the extent to which new thinking can be engendered among the leaders of the trade unions once democracy begins to haunt the council of the TUC.

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton South, SDP): If he wants to introduce more democracy to change the basis of the political contribution, why not introduce measures to make the prior approval of shareholders necessary for contributions to the Conservative Party and not change the system of opting into the trade unions?

Mr Tebbit: I changed the system of opting in in view of the representations made to me by various people and not least what was said in this House by Labour Party members and those who represent various trade unions. I thought it right to consult the TUC first to see if they could find a way in which the rights of the trade unionists could be ensured without a change in procedure for contracting out.

As for political payments by companies, they are governed far more tightly by the Companies Act than the contributions to the trade unions under the 1913 Act.

Mr Eric Varley, chief Opposition spokeman on employment (Chesterfield, Lab): The trade unions do not need any lessons from him about democracy and certainly not from the Tory Party which is riddled with privilege and patronage. (Labour cheers)

On the political levy, nobody will thank him as a result of that unless at some stage he announces, he is introducing legislation to make it possible for shareholders to make contract out of the political contribution to the Tory Party.

Mr Tebbit: The trade unions may not want my advice on democracy, but it is certain they need it very badly I am sure as he looks at the block votes of a few hundred thousands which will be for or against him when he stands for election at the Labour conference he may well be converted to my view.

● Mr Tebbit also said he has written to the TUC inviting them to discuss the steps which the trade unions might take to ensure that their members are fully aware of their statutory rights regarding the political levy and able to exercise them freely. He added that he had informed the TUC that he would welcome their comments on the proposals for legislation on trade union democracy which he announced to the House last Tuesday.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch, C): In recognizing the propaganda value to the Conservative Party of Mr Arthur Scargill and his friends, would he not encourage them? Would he rather, as he seems to be doing, concentrate on generating genuine contact and dialogue between the government of the day and organized labour as represented by the TUC? This must be to the long-term benefit of the nation.

Mr Tebbit: It is to the benefit of the country as a whole that the TUC should come back into the scene and desist from merely sulking in their tents pretending that the election results have not happened.

Mr Andrew MacKay (East Berkshire, C): When he meets Mr Len Murray will he explain that the majority of members of this democratically-elected Parliament, the majority of our electors and the majority of trade union members believe that it is in the best interests of good industrial relations that there are secret ballots before a strike is called?



Lennox-Boyd: Strikes at request of majority

Mr Tebbit: I suspect that Mr Murray and most of his colleagues would believe it right that there should be ballots before strikes are held. I take the view that it would not be possible to legislate to insist that in every case that was done, but I am sure that the measures I propose will give a strong encouragement to trade unions to conduct such ballots.

Sir Anthony Grant (South-West Cambridgeshire, C): Would he discuss with the TUC the blocking by NUPE fanatics of a hospital charity concert to help those in pain merely on the grounds that Mr Jimmy Tarbuck was a supporter of the Prime Minister in the election?

Mr Tebbit: I understand how strongly he feels, but that is not one of the matters on which I would wish to consult the TUC. All those who are aware of that action by NUPE would regard it as disgraceful: to use people's misfortunes in the way they have, to use disabled or sick people merely as a political football.

Mr John Selwyn Gummer, Under Secretary of State for Employment, criticized the attitude of some contenders for the Labour Party leadership to voting systems.

Many of these contenders (he said) ar very insistent on one man one vote when their elections come up, but I had not noticed them to be quite so instistent on one man one vote when it came to trade union legislation.

Britain cannot ignore Russia's frightening level of arms

DEFENCE

Tenders for two new frigates would be invited from the British shipbuilders yards of Cammell Laird, Swan Hunter and Vosper Thorneycroft, Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for Defence, said in moving that MPs approve the Defence Estimates for 1983.

He also announced that, in addition to the Services' Youth Training Scheme which would provide one year's training for 5,200 unemployed youngsters, there would be a parallel scheme in Ministry of Defence civil establishments to provide training for a further 2,000 youngsters. The new scheme was intended to begin in the autumn.

Earlier, when opening the debate, Mr Heseltine, said the subject of defence had become a matter of profound public interest and concern. At no time had mankind consumed such massive resources in the purchase of armaments and in the financing of military strength.

We cannot close our minds (he said) to the confrontations, tensions and opposing ideologies which actually exist. We cannot ignore the massive and frightening level of armaments which exist. We certainly cannot ignore the military power of the Soviet Union and the Warsaw Pact.

Whatever one's interpretation of their motives the indisputable facts are that the Soviet Union and Warsaw Pact are more powerful today than they have ever been and in every field of defence.

There were those who saw the Russians as a deeply Conservative people who felt threatened by an aggressive and alien western culture, maintaining massive forces to defend the Russion homeland.

He had no doubt that these feelings were part of the cultural inheritance of the leaders in the Kremlin, but equally he was sure that they could not be given the benefit of the doubt.

They had shown that their intentions were not only defensive. They had shown that they were prepared to sacrifice the economic well-being of their people by maintaining a level of military force which went far beyond the requirements of self-defence. They had time and again and most recently in Afghanistan used military force to subject a sovereign nation.

The policy in the White Paper was primarily designed, along with the policies of Britain's allies, to meet the risk that this threat presented.

There could be no coherent strategy to defend Europe without America. Britain should reaffirm its welcome to the 60,000 servicemen and families based here.

Britain's principal defence roles inevitably added up to a formidable defence budget, this year amounting to nearly £16,000m. That was an increase in cash, after the adjustment announced last week, of £1,300m over last year.

There were implications beyond defence. Britain's industry and technological base was profoundly influenced by this budget which, by its very scale, must involve a social responsibility, too.

Defence expenditure sustained well over a million jobs in the services, their civilian support and in the defence industries.

Spending this year on research would be more than £300m and on development it would be £1,600m. Together they accounted for rather more than 10 per cent of the total defence budget.

In 1979 the Nato Alliance had given the Soviet Union the clearest warning that if they did not withdraw their intermediate range missiles then in 1983 Nato would deploy its own deterrent system – Pershing II and cruise missiles.

At the time of the warning, the Soviets had deployed about 120 SS20s, each with three warheads. Today the figure was more than 350. Even if the full complement of Pershing II and cruise missiles were to be deployed, they would still represent less than a half of the number of warheads already deployed on the Soviet side.

If the Soviet Union had responded to the zero option initiative there was no need for Pershing II and cruise missiles to come to Europe at all.

It was still not too late, but all the indications were now that the most optimistic outcome from Geneva could be an interim agreement not to avoid deployment at all but to limit its scale based on equal numbers of warhead on both sides. The Government would welcome that, particularly if it leads to further developments that ultimately approached the zero option.

No government in this country since the war had pursued any policies that were significantly different from those he had presented to the House. All governments had identified largely the same threat and they all responded in much the same way.

Strang: Enormity of nuclear war

There were those who defined the process of deterrence in the pejorative language of an increasingly uncontrolled arms race.

Nobody, regardless of party, could escape the pressures within every country and every alliance to propel military expenditure remorselessly upwards.

Of course (he said) our people want peace. They would support a reduction in the massive nuclear and conventional arsenals which exist in the world today. But only on terms that are compatible with the peace they have enjoyed for nearly 40 years and not on terms that might actually destabilize the peace itself.

Mr John Silkin, Chief Opposition spokesman on defence and disarmament (Lewisham Deptford, Lab) moved as an official Opposition amendment: "This House believes that the plans outlined in the *Statement on Defence Estimates 1983* do not provide the United Kingdom with a viable defence against aggression; regrets the Government's failure to take any initiative to stop the escalation of the nuclear arms race and, as a first step, to support a nucleaar freeze; notes that the Government plans would require the United Kingdom, which already spends more on the defence of Nato both in terms of gross national product and per head of the population than any other member of the Alliance, to increase that spending still further; and therefore calls upon the Government to work within Nato for a strong non-nuclear defence policy and, in particular, to cease its reliance upon Trident and the deployment of cruise missiles within the United Kingdom."

He said There had been a time wheen the British Government had played a principal role in disarmament negotiations, but now the Conservative Government left it entirely to President Reagan even to the extent of refusing to put Polaris into the talks, let alone Trident. The United Kingdom was the paymaster of Nato.

Nato's present defence strategy was based on the proposition that the alliance could not withstand a conventional attack by Warsaw Pact forces with conventional means alone. Far from possing cruise and Pershing II missiles as purely retaliatory, it would be Nato that would first let loose the dogs of nuclear war.

The proposal to deploy these American missiles in Europe had created a crisis more dangerous than any in the past 30 years and not only in East-West relations. It had led to considerable tensions within the alliance. These weapons solved nothing. They merely proved that if there was war in Europe, it was the US President who would take the final decision as to whether nuclear weapons should be used.

For the first time, missiles which could reach Moscow in six minutes would be sited on German soil. This major change was bound to affect the Russians and their view of the west's intentions. Deep in the Russian folk memory was the vulnerability of Russia to foreign invasion.

No one who had visited Moscow could have any doubt that the Russian government and people were united in their determination that this should not happen again. This folk memory accounted for, although it did not excuse, the building of a satellite empire from the Baltic to the Black Sea.

The addition of cruise and Pershing to the proposed UK Trident deployment ws the equivalent of 500 SS20s. This was another example of massive overkill. The cost of Trident was frightening, and Mr Heselti had tried to massage the figures, a practice in which he was well versed.

But there was another, more dangerous, cost. To pay for Trident, the country's conventional capability would be destroyed. Britain's defences were being starved to death to pay for a nuclear status symbol that nobody would dare to use in any circumstances. Further spending cuts would bear more and more heavily on the defence budget.

This White Paper (he concluded) is a mere rehash of the last one, a pathetic contribution from a pathetic minister. We deplore the opportunity that has been missed to take a new look at defence in the interests of the country and the world.

Mr Julian Critchley (Aldershot, C) said it was important that the Prime Minister or the Foreign Secretary should go to Moscow sooner or later because the lines of communication must be kept open.

Mr Kenneth Maginnis (Fermanagh and South Tyrone, *OUP*), a former officer in the Ulster Defence Regiment, in a maiden speech said that it was not the forces, but successive governments which had let them down in the past 13 to 14 years and which had bowed the knee to terrorism.

A small increase in the number of helicopters deployed would make a great difference. He had personally experienced the difficulty of getting a helicopter and having to send his troops across roads and countryside with every chance of driving across land mines.

Parliament today

COMMONS (2.30): Conclusion of debate on defence estimates. Lords (2.30): Debates on Press Council report on Sutcliffe case; on the enforcement powers of the revenue departments; and on human rights.

No change on spending plans

PM's QUESTIONS

The Government will adhere to the expenditure plans it has published for this year and next year, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during question time in the Commons. She had been asked by Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, to confirm the report in *The Times* that on Thursday the Cabinet would discuss proposals for a further £5,000m cuts in projected public expenditure for next year.

When Mr Foot asked "Is that a correct report?" Mrs Thatcher replied: Mr Foot is fully aware, having been a member of a Cabinet himself, that one never reveals the agenda of any paper before Cabinet.

Mr Foot: Since *The Times* got it right at the last rounds and her Cabinet colleagues were bounced into cuts, apparently, will the Cabinet be discussing if she will not confirm the figure in *The Times* – the public expenditure cuts for a year ahead.

Does she agree with Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, that the cuts will lead to "a large measure of redundancies." Those are the words he used. Will the redundancies include more teachers out of jobs, more home helps out of jobs, more dinner ladies out of jobs and more librarians out of jobs?

What is going to happen after the cuts have been discussed in Cabinet on Thursday?

Mrs Thatcher: Mr Foot is fully aware that this is the time of year when public expenditure surveys for the following year are bound to start. They start in the normal way.

Decisions on the following year are normally made in the autumn and for the years after that in the public expenditure White Paper in January or later, sometimes as late as the budget. That is normal procedure.

We have published the total expenditure plans for this year and next and we shall expect to adhere to them.

Stock Exchange issue may reach House

If proposals are made by the Stock Exchange Council to settle the action taken by the Office of Fair Trading in the Restrictive Practices Court, Mr Cecil Parkinson, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry is prepared to consider them but they would eventually come before Parliament, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during questions in the Commons.

Dr David Owen leader of the Social Democrats (Plymouth, Devonport, SDP) asked her for an assurance that there was no intention to interfere with the Office of Fair Trading's impending court action in the Restrictive Practices Court against the Stock Exchange.

It would be extremely difficult for a Government in favour of fair competition (he said) to interfere in this way.

Mrs Thatcher: This case is still before the court but that does not preclude the Stock Exchange Council making proposals to settle the matter.

The Secretary of State for Trade and Industry has told the chairman

Foot: 'The Times' got it right the last time

that he would be prepared to consider such proposals.

If his proposals are such that the Government could recommend them to Parliament, a statement would be made to the House.

If the House recommended a change in the case, an order to exempt the Stock Exchange from the Restrictive Trade Practices Act would have to be made. Therefore it would be a matter for the House.

Two objectives at Madrid peace talks

The proposed compromise to end the Madrid talks on the Helsinki agreement was more than agreement for agreement's sake, Mrs Thatcher the Prime Minister, said. She added that it contained two things in particular that Britain was anxious to achieve.

Mr Julian Amery (Brighton, Pavillion, C) had asked her to consider with the Foreign Secretary (Sir Geoffrey Howe) if the proposed compromise really did fulfil Britain's obligations to ensure human rights or if this was just agreement for agreement's sake?

Mrs Thatcher rejected the suggestion and added that this was a provisional agreement and it had not yet been fully signed.

The first thing she had wanted and that the compromise contained, was the conference of disarmament in Europe – Europe for the first time being defined as going right up to the Ural mountains. That conference would take place in Stockholm in January 1984.

Secondly, there was the further reference in the compromise to human rights. Two meetings were to take place, one in Canada in 1985 and the other in Switzerland in 1986. This was called the human contacts group and concerned the separation of families.

● It is clear that Spain will not enter the European Community until restrictions on the border with Gibraltar are fully lifted, Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, also said.

Police chiefs concerned about Ripper articles

HOUSE OF LORDS

The Association of Chief Police Officers shared the Government's concern about the publication of the memoirs of Mr Ronald Gregory, former Chief Constable of West Yorkshire, Lord Elton, Under Secretary of State, Home Office, said at question time

The Government had discussed the issue with the association. It raised a number of complex problems which required further study, he said.

The association are giving their attention to this (he added) and will keep in touch with our officials.

Lady Sharples (C) said extreme distress had been caused to the families of the victims concerned because of the many errors made by Mr Gregory and the West Yorkshire police.

Lord Mishcon, for the Opposition; Because of the anxiety which has been caused, would the minister expedite the consultations taking place, in order that some definite regulation may be made to control the matter and to see there is not a repetition of the terrible incident?

Lord Elton: I endorse Lady Sharples' view of the distress caused to those families involved. I can assure the House that the expedition will be followed that is consistent with thoroughness and a proper result.

In answer to a further question, he said: The Government welcome the way in which the Press Council strengthened the guidelines after the Sutcliffe case

MPs in battle over pay formula

Backbench Conservative MPs and the bulk of the parliamentary Labour Party tonight joined forces to try to defeat Government plans to restrain their pay.

Government business managers provided unlimited time for the debate, which began after 10 pm, with the intention of delaying voting until the small hours of Wednesday and, if possible, persuading their opponents to give up and go to bed.

At the same time Government whips were urging the rebels on their own side to drop their objections and to help the Government set an example for public sector pay settlements

The rebels, led by two former ministers, Sir Hugh Fraser and Mr Norman St-John Stevas, repudiated a settlement negotiated last week between the Cabinet and Mr Edward Du Cann, chairman of the Conservative backbench 1922 Committee, whom the Prime Minister and her colleagues had hoped would be able to deliver the votes of almost all backbenchers on the Government side.

That settlement – the du Cann formula – would have taken MPs pay from its present level of £14,510 to £18,500 over five years, and linked it thereafter to a comparable grade in the Civil Service.

The attraction for the Government was that its overall cost of some £6.5m in a full year would be the same as the Government's initial proposal for a smaller first increase accompanied by higher secretarial allowances and lower pension contributions.

But the rebels calculated that the Civil Service grade to which it was proposed to link MP's pay – those who would be earning £18,500 on January 1, 1987 – would today be earning about the same as an MP. The result would be that they would, by the end of the Parliament, have recovered none of the ground which their independent review body found that they had lost.

The rebels' proposal – the Fraser formula – would therefore link MP's pay from January 1988 with that of civil servants now earning £18,500.

The Labour Party at first put its weight behind a proposal, also on the order paper for tonight's debate, which would have secured for MPs the full increase recommended by the review body – £19,000 from June 13 this year.

But by the start of the debate Labour were ready to join Sir Hugh Fraser's rebels

New peer

Viscount Tonypandy, formerly Mr George Thomas, Speaker of the House of Commons, was introduced in the House of Lords.

Talks on helping the deaf with telephones

The Telecommunications Bill, which will empower the Government to make British Telecom a private company and sell off its shares, received its second reading on Monday night by 356 votes to 219 – Government majority, 137.

Mr Michael Clark (Rochford, C), in a maiden speech, said he supported the Bill in the belief that with privatization they would better be able to have innovation and improved technology within the tele-communications services. If politics was the art of the possible, technology was the science of change. Change was generally brought about in a keen competitive environment.

Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Stockton South, SDP) said his party would oppose the Bill. It was a gross misuse of public assets to sell off the assets to put into the general pot of revenue, to raise funds to overcome the Government's public sector borrowing requirement problems.

The industry must have stability over its future.

Mr Kenneth Baker, Minister for Information Technology, replying to the debate, said his department would soon meet the Royal National Institute for the Deaf to explore ways of helping those with a hearing impairment. His officials would suggest at that meeting a research project funded by his department to identify the options and the best way forward.

His department wanted the advice of the RNID and that of the manufacturers.

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No fees for notional counsel

MacLeod-Johnstone-Hart v Aga Khan Foundation (UK)
Before Mr Justice Lloyd
[Judgment delivered July 7]

The provision contained in Order 62, rule 28A of the Rules of the Supreme Court, that a successful litigant in person who had suffered pecuniary loss could recover for work done by himself up to two thirds of the costs which would have been allowed if that work had been done by a solicitor, did not include notional barristers' fees.

Mr Justice Lloyd so held, in the Queen's Bench Division, dismissing a summons to review a taxation by Master Berkeley on December 15, 1982, in an action successfully brought by the plaintiff, Diane Lavinia MacLeod-Johnstone-Hart against the defendants, Aga Khan Foundation (UK).

The plaintiff in person; Mr Little, legal executive, for Masons, the defendants' solicitors.

MR JUSTICE LLOYD said that the plaintiff's action had come before Mr Justice Boreham in June 1981. At the end of a four and a half day trial, judgment having been given in her favour, the plaintiff had been awarded damages of £730, plus costs on the High Court scale.

In her bill, she had claimed £4,120 as a disbursement to cover the notional cost of briefing leading and junior counsel, together with two thirds of daily attendance fee for a solicitor. The master had refused to allow that.

His Lordship agreed. The whole object of an award for costs was to indemnify the successful party against costs which he had actually incurred. There was a limited exception to that general rule in the case of a litigant in person who, provided he had suffered pecuniary loss, could recover for work done himself up to two thirds of what would have been allowed if done by a solicitor.

But rule 28A (2) had to be read in the light of rule 28A (1). There was a clear contrast between work which was treated as if done by a solicitor, and then allowed up to two thirds of the appropriate rate, and disbursements, which were allowed in full providing they would have been allowed if incurred by a solicitor, and they had actually been incurred by the litigant in person.

There was no room for a notional disbursement, and the plaintiff could not escape that by claiming only two thirds of counsels' fees.

Under rule 28A (3), where a litigant in person did part of the work claimed during time when he would otherwise have been remunerated (working time), and part of it during leisure time, in respect of which he therefore suffered no pecuniary loss, then he could not claim for all of the work up to the two thirds limit, but only that proportion of it done during working time. In respect of the rest, the £2-an-hour rule operated.

The division would necessarily be somewhat arbitrary, especially where, as in the present case, because she was an actress, the plaintiff had no set working hours in the ordinary sense.

Under rule 28A (2), the time allowed in calculating the two thirds maximum was the time which a solicitor would have taken, not the time actually taken by the litigant in person.

The plaintiff had claimed £4,474 for work, which she had said had taken her 214 hours, but the master had only allowed her £725, to cover 86 hours, of which 43 were allowed as working time and charged at £15 an hour, and 43 as leisure time at £2 an hour. The plaintiff had not made out her objections in respect of those figures and, in the light of his Lordship's judgment, the taxation would be upheld.

Meaning of 'designed' in Housing Act

Freeman v Wanstead District Council

A downstairs lavatory installed under the stairs in a council house for the benefit of a child who had difficulty climbing stairs was not a feature which made the dwelling house substantially different from that of an ordinary dwelling house and which was designed to make the house suitable for occupation by physically disabled persons within the Housing Act 1980.

The Court of Appeal (Sir John Arnold, President and Mr Justice Latey) considered on July 19 the application of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the 1980 Act and dismissed an appeal by Wanstead District Council from the decision of Judge Percy sitting at Morpeth County Court who granted the tenants, Mr and Mrs Freeman the right to buy the freehold.

MR JUSTICE LATEY, with whom the President agreed, said that the tenants had a daughter who suffered from a spina bifida and she had difficulty climbing stairs. She was not confined to a wheelchair.

The council had sought to argue that the provision of a third lavatory made the house substantially different from ordinary dwelling houses and that the court should look at the ordinary houses in the locality.

His Lordship said that there was nothing in the Act which limited consideration of an ordinary dwelling house to the locality.

It had also been submitted that a dwelling house with features "which are designed to make it suitable for occupation by physically disabled persons" meant "intended" to make it suitable.

His Lordship said the word "designed" was ambiguous. The common sense meaning was that the house had been built or had been specially adapted structurally by the provision of ramps, widened doors, or alteration of cooking and working surfaces. The provision of one small downstairs lavatory could not by any stretch of the imagination be a special adaption. The appeal would be dismissed.

Laker challenge to anti-trust Order fails

Laker Airways Ltd and Another v Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

The Court of Appeal (Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Oliver and Lord Justice Watkins) on July 19 refused for reasons to be given later an application by Laker Airways Ltd, a company in liquidation incorporated in Jersey, and Mr Christopher Morris, of Little New Street, London, EC4, liquidator of Laker, for a declaration that an Order and general directions made by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under the Protection of Trading Investments Act 1980 were *ultra vires*, null, void and of no effect.

The Order made by the Secretary of State, the Protection of Trading Interests (US Anti-trust Measures) Order (SI 1983 No 900) which came into operation on June 27, 1983, recited that the measures to which it related had been taken by or under the law of the United States of America for regulating or controlling international trade and that those measures, in so far as they applied to things done or to be done outside the territorial jurisdiction of the US by persons carrying on business in the United Kingdom, were damaging or threatened to damage the trading interests of the UK.

By the Order the secretary of state directed that section 1 of the 1980 Act should apply to sections 1 and 2 of the US Sherman Act and sections 4 and 4A of the US Clayton Act in relation to: (i) an agreement or arrangement to which a UK-designated airline was a party, (ii) a discussion or communication to which a UK-designated airline was a party, (iii) any act done by a UK-designated airline. The secretary of state's general directions were under sections 1 and 2 of the 1980 Act.

Certifying cash arrangements for the children

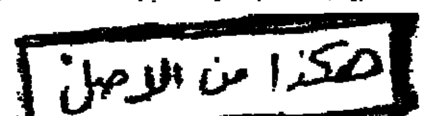
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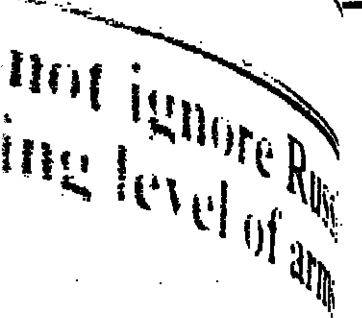
For the purposes of deciding whether to grant a certificate of satisfaction as to financial provisions for children under section 41 of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973 there was no inherent vice in a voluntary payment provided it satisfactorily provided maintenance for a child or children of the family.

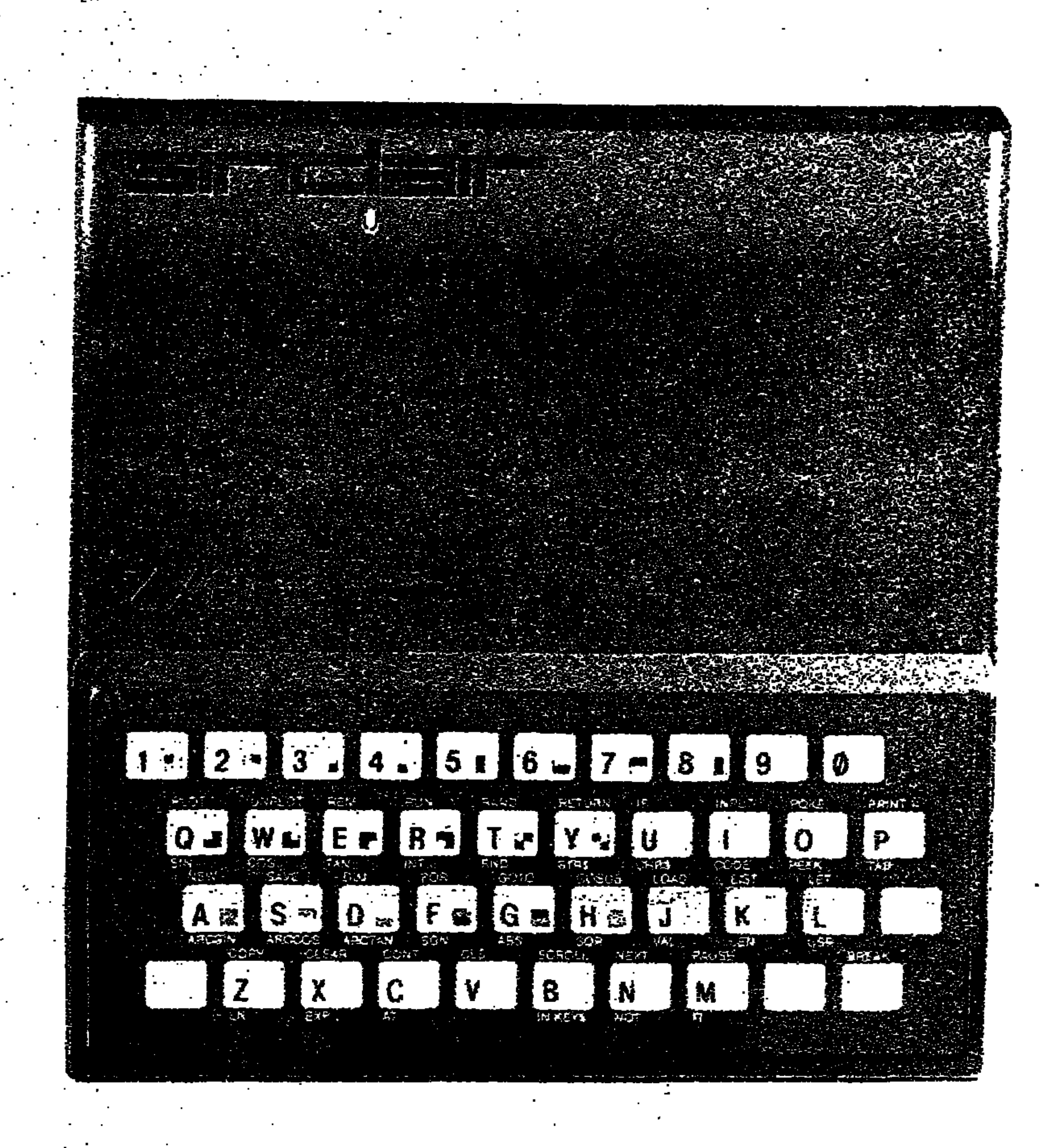
Lord Justice Cumming-Bruce, sitting in the Court of Appeal on July 19 with Sir George Baker, so stated in allowing an interlocutory appeal by the wife from an order of Judge Irvine on February 25 in the Oxford County Court that the certificate of satisfaction as to the arrangements for the two children which he granted was not to be released until the registrar had made an order for child maintenance.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the way in which a judge should approach the problem of satisfaction with financial provision for children had been explained by the Court of Appeal in *Cook v Cook* ([1978] 1 WLR 994). It might be that that case was sometimes lost sight of by county court judges, and so the court emphasized again the principles which should guide a judge when faced with the problem of deciding whether the financial arrangements for the children were such that he could be satisfied with them.

The judge could not delegate the grant of a certificate of satisfaction nor make it conditional on the decision of some other subordinate tribunal. The judge had to make up his own mind whether to grant a certificate, or refuse it, and if he needed further information he had to adjourn to enable the party applying for the certificate to return with further evidence.







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Howe proposes tough farm spending cuts to save bankrupt EEC

From Ian Murray
Brussels

Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday spelled out Britain's rescue plan for the bankrupt EEC to other foreign ministers meeting in Brussels. The plan forces cuts in agricultural expenditure and provides a comprehensive "safety net" which would mean that never again would Britain have to pay an unfair share of the cost of running a profligate Community.

According to diplomats, the speech, at a special Council of Ministers meeting called to plan the future financing of the Community, had a "considerable impact". It will form the basis of Britain's negotiating position in the months to come for reforming the EEC.

It has made it perfectly clear to other member states that Britain will only consider any increase in the Community budget when it is perfectly satisfied the EEC is being run efficiently and fairly.

To make sure it is efficient Britain will be seeking radical reform of the common agricultural policy. To make sure it is fair it will be insisting on a new mechanism which would regulate budget payments according to the relative wealth of the member states.

The British Government intends issuing detailed papers on both of these subjects before the end of the month, but Sir Geoffrey yesterday told the Council the broad outlines of what is to be suggested.

The first element in farm spending reform would be an upper limit on the rate of growth of spending on the common agricultural policy. This would seek to limit CAP spending as a fixed proportion of the rate of growth of the Community's own resources. This, SirGeoffrey argued, should enshrined in Community law, ratified by national parliaments.



Sir Geoffrey: A speech of considerable impact

There would need to be an agreement on the upper limit of money available for agriculture within the budget and measures taken to make sure this is respected. In truly exceptional circumstances extra money could be made available, but generally there had to be a complete overhaul of the different agricultural regimes, truyl prudent pricing and touch controls introduced to stop wasteful surpluses.

"These measures are complementary, not alternatives", Sir Geoffrey said. "We need them all".

He underlined the need for action by pointing out that CAP spending had grown five and a half times in the past decade and was 35 per cent up on last year alone.

The Commission is already thinking much along the lines described by Sir Geoffrey. Last weekend, it agreed on the need to draw up a strategy to cut CAP spending by 20 per cent. Officials are now working on the details of the scheme which will seek to impose tough quota levels on surplus products to stop overproduction.

The Commission proposes, imposing firm quotas for cereals, which would mean that there was no money available to buy in crops grown in excess of these thresholds. In the dairy sector the idea is to impose a supertax on farmers of 75 per cent for all milk produced in excess of 1981 levels.

The new payments system for budget contributions which Britain is suggesting is meant to end forever the recurring and damaging argument over how much money the EEC can demand from each country. At the same time, since it means some countries will have to pay more and receive less than at present the argument threatens to be long and difficult.

Britain wants the Community to agree on a "safety net" which would put a limit on the size of net contributions a country could be asked to pay. It believes this is necessary because it would be impossible to balance the books without such a device.

Sir Geoffrey pointed out that the regional fund would need twice the size of the total EEC budget if Britain were to receive from it payments equal to the £450m rebate it had been promised this year.

He also showed that the Commission's idea of varying the level of value-added tax budget payments according to a series of wealth criteria would only reduce Britain's net contribution by a quarter.

Britain wants the Community, therefore, to agree that there would be an aggregate upper limit on the net burden which the more prosperous states would be expected to bear of the total Community budget. This would be expressed as a small percentage of the gross domestic product of the member states.

Outward bound: Mrs Maria Chmykhalov, aged 60, carries her granddaughter Dina as the family of Siberian Pentecostalists who took refuge in the US Moscow Embassy arrived at Frankfurt yesterday on the way to New York.

Greenpeace took photos of Soviet activities

Nome, Alaska (AP, AFP) – Anti-whaling campaigners of the Greenpeace Foundation claim to have photographed illegal Soviet whaling operations during a mission in Siberia which led to the arrest of six Americans sand one Canadian. One man was seized from a boat while racing for Alaska.

The Rainbow Warrior, the Greenpeace trawler, reached international waters on Monday after a chase by a Soviet merchant ship and helicopter, a Greenpeace spokesman said. The ship anchored off Nome early yesterday and one injured crew member, suffering from a broken ankle, was taken to hospital.

The ship left seven crew members, including Mr Chris Cook, aged 35, the American director of Greenpeace, in the hands of Soviet authorities.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry confirmed yesterday that there had been an incident in Siberia involving Greenpeace. Mr Frank Tonini, the United States Embassy spokesman, said the Foreign Ministry was looking into it at the Americans' request.

A United States-Soviet consular convention requires "notification without delay" if authorities in either country arrest nationals of the other.

The Greenpeace members were said to have been arrested at the port of Lorino for illegally entering

Mr Patrick Moore, the Canadian director of Greenpeace, said in Vancouver that the team wanted to find out if the Russians were using whalemeat to feed animals bred for their fur at Lorino. This would contravene international regulations.

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Indonesian troops told how to use torture

Indonesian troops in East Timor have been issued with secret manuals permitting the use of torture, according to Amnesty International, the London-based organization.

An 82-page military manual captured from Indonesian forces by the East Timor resistance movement, Fretilin, tells soldiers not to photograph prisoners being stripped naked and tortured with electric shocks. Amnesty is satisfied that the manual is genuine.

The manual is divided into eight sections, seven of which are marked secret, and includes a chapter on interrogation

Bees threaten invasion

San José (AFP) – An international effort is being made to prevent a horde of African "killer bees" from invading Central America, Mexico and the United States.

Smaller than the European bee, they are much more aggressive and are responsible for killing sheep and cattle. The African bees were imported into Brazil in 1956 to raise honey production.

16 die in mine

Rio de Janerio (AP) – Sixteen miners were killed and 30 injured in a landslide on Monday at a gold mine in Serra Pelada, 1,850 miles north west of Rio. It occurred as security measures were undertaken after water began seeping into the mine, the Ministry of Mines reported.

High prices

Washington (NYT) – Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, stated thet a naval officer had been relieved of his command and civilian officials had been reprimanded for permitting defence contractors to charge excessive prices for spare parts.

Yangtze threat

Peking (Reuter). – A record flood tide on the Yangtze river has reached Nanjing, capital of Jiangsu province in south-east China. Local papers say that if torrential rains continue the area could be completely inundated.

Hunger protest

Stockholm – Swedish prison authorities have expressed concern about the health of a hunger-striker, Miro Baresic, a Croatian nationalist who was jailed for life for the murder of the Yugoslav Ambassador in Stockholm in 1971.

Gulf target

Tokyo (Reuter) – Japan and Iran have agreed to complete by 1989 the petrochemical complex at Bandar Khomeini which was damaged and delayed by the Gulf war, it was announced here yesterday.

Dakota crash

Khartum (Reuter) – A Dakota airliner belonging to the American Chevron oil company crashed outside Khartum but all 24 people on board survived, a company spokesman said.

Muslims' trial

Belgrade (Reuter) – Thirteen Yugoslav Muslim intellectuals have gone on trial in Sarajevo charged with plotting to set up a fundamentalist Islamic state in Yugoslavia.

Naval visit

Kuala Lumpur (AP) – A Royal Navy task force including HMS Invincible will visit the Indian Ocean, the Far East, Australia and New Zealand, starting in September, according to the British High Commission.

Not amused

Stockholm (AP) – A suspected submarine periscope spotted off Sweden's North East coast turned out to be a sewage pipe placed in the water by practical jokers. "It is not very funny," a Defence Ministry spokeman said. Sweden, however is continuing to search.

Gemayel hopeful on pullout

Nice (Reuter) – President Amin Gemayel of Lebanon yesterday forecast the swift withdrawal of all foreign forces from Lebanon before flying to Washington for talks with President Reagan and United States officials.

Mr Gemayel, who made an overnight stop in the south of France, had a surprise meeting with King Husain of Jordan here on Monday night. In talks with reporters yesterday, he did not elaborate on the reason for his optimism.

The refusal of Syria to remove its troops and Israel's consequent reluctance to pull back its own forces are the main causes of the impasse in Lebanon.

"It is not important who withdraws first", President Gemayel said. "The most important thing is to establish a common strategy leading to peace in the Middle East."

He said that he would also visit other countries to obtain support for a rapid settlement.

Mr Gemayel did not expect the withdrawal of the Palestine Liberation Organization's remaining forces in Lebanon to be a difficulty.

"The real problem for us is Syria" he said, but hinted that he expected a more flexible approach in future from President Assad's government.

He expected the United States to ensure that Irael abided by the terms of its pact with Lebanon, signed under US sponsorship in May, to remove its troops. The Lebanese Army was ready to move into the Chouf mountain region, southeast of Beirut, as soon as the Israelis began to pull back.

Before he left Beirut, Lebanese government sources said that he would ask Mr Reagan to set a timetable for Israel's withdrawal.

Mr Gemayel reported after his meetin with King Husain that Jordan and Lebanon would coordinate peace efforts and that "King Husain will play an active role". He refused to comment on the possibility of Jordan joining in direct peace negotiations

Jordan earlier denied statements made in Jerusalem by two US senators who had visited Amman that King Husain was prepared to talk to Israel.

● *WASHINGTON:* President Reagan yesterday declared that the United States remained undaunted in its efford to prevent "the forces of violence from exercising a veto over the rights of the Lebanese people". (Mohsin Ali writes).

Mr Reagan will have talks with President Gemayel on Friday.

Begin puts off visit to Washington

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

For undisclosed "personal reasons" Mr Menachem Begin, the Israeli Prime Minister, yesterday telephoned President Reagan to postpone his visit to the White House scheduled for next week. This prompted widespread speculation about the motives for the postponement.

Official Israeli sources denied that either health or political reasons lay behind Mr Begin's surprise decision, but failed to dispell the mystery by providing any more plausible explanations. Observers noted that in recent months the Israeli leader, who is 69, has avoided most public appearances.

Since the death of his wife last November (which prompted the postponment of an earlier Washington visit) Mr Begin has looked guant and has become a shadow of his former self. Another reason for his introverted mood is said by aides to be depression over the mounting Israeli losses in Lebanon.

According to a brief statement released by Mr Begin's office, President Reagan expressed understanding for the decision. He agreed that both governments would think in terms of rescheduling the visit, which would have followed closely on that of President Amin Gemayel of Lebanon, to "some time later this year."

Hours before the telephone call a leading article in *Davar*, the morning paper of the main Labour opposition, urged postponement of the visit. "It would be odd to hear Begin talking in the United States at a time when he stints his explanations of Israel's political security and economic situation from his public at home," the paper said.

Earlier this month the Prime Minister's spokesman denied an Israeli newspaper story suggesting that the trip would be called off. Quoting unnamed sources, the *Jerusalem Post* report cited Israeli unwillingness to submit to a clash with President Reagan over Israel's planned redeployment in Lebanon as the main motive.

Despite the denials of ill health, yesterday's postponement is certain to reawaken discussion about the Prime Minister's poor physical condition.

There had been considerable doubt in political circles that Mr Begin would have been capable of undertaking a hectic Washington schedule at a time when he looks weak and often appears remote from his Government's political difficulties.

Nine years after Turkish invasion

Divisions harden along the Green Line

On July 20, 1974, Turkish forces landed in northern Cyprus. In this first of three articles, EDWARD MORTIMER, reports from Nicosia on the intractable problems that ensued for the two communities on the island.

CYPRUS
Part 1

The division created by the Turkish Army, between an ethnically homogeneous Turkish north and an ethnically homogenous Greek south, remains as absolute as ever. Sign of the times: three months ago the Turkish Cypriots in the north set up their own separate central bank, and in May it declared the Cyprus pound no longer legal tender. In practice this made little difference, as the Turkish lira has been in general use in the north for years.

The foreigner who wishes to see both halves of the island must enter from the south. The Turks will allow him to cross from south to north but the Greek Cypriot authorities, internationally recognized as the Government of Cyprus, refuse to countenance entry to the territory of the republic through ports or airports which they do not control.

"The territory of the republic" is not quite the same as "the island". The latter also includes the two British sovereign base areas (SBAs) of Akrotiri and Dhekelia. These have never been part of the republic, because Britain retained sovereignty over them when Cyprus became independent in 1960. But Cyprus claims that Britain owes a backlog of £250m compensation for the use of the bases, and this claim will be urged again by President Spyros Kyprianou when he meets Mrs Thatcher in London next week.

There is no visible frontier between the SBAs and the rest of the island, except where the Dhekelia base abuts on the Turkish zone. Four thousand Cypriots of both communities work on the bases, and roughly the same number of British personnel are stationed there. Greek Cypriots move in and out of the SBAs almost without noticing, and though from time to time they call for the bases' removal the issue does not arouse remotely the same passion as the Turkish occupation of the north.

Turkish Cypriots, by contrast, can leave the Turkish zone only with a permit from the authorities of the "Turkish federated state of Cyprus", established in 1975. They can get such permits for work in the Dhekelia SBA, but not – except in rare cases, usually at the invitation of a foreign embassy or cultural institution – to visit the Greek zone. Similarly the Greeks are systematically refused entry to the Turkish zone: a very sore point since many of them – 200,000 the Cyprus Government claims – had homes in the north before 1974.

These refugees no longer constitute a spectacle of acute material hardship. Almost all have long since been rehoused. The Greek Cypriot economy recovered spectacularly after 1974, and southern Cyprus today is an area of such rare prosperity that its continued receipt of United Nations development aid constitutes a paradox, if not a scandal.

Does that mean, as the Turks argue, that the refugee problem has been "solved", or – as Western diplomats sometimes assert – that both communities are fundamentally "happy"? To make such an assertion one has to brush aside virtually every Greek Cypriot statement on the subject, official or unofficial, private or public. Nine years is not long enough to forget a home from which you are kept away by force, especially if you are living almost within sight of it.

The foreigner, by contrast, can pass through the Green Line at the checkpoint by the old Ledra Palace Hotel (occupied by the UN and used for the inconclusive "intercommunal talks" which have gone on intermittently ever since 1968). In winter, he must put his watch forward one hour: the Turkish zone runs on Ankara time.

He might as well put it back 10 or 15 years. In contrast to the hustle and bustle of the Greek sector, with its proliferation of ugly new hotels and office blocks ten or twelve storeys high, the Turkish sector of Nicosia retains the atmosphere of a sleepy provincial town;

The Cyprus Government has been fairly successful in dissuading European tour operators from patronizing the occupied zone, on the grounds that most of the hotels there are actually stolen property, rightfully belonging to Greek Cypriots.

Tomorrow: Is there a solution?





Most Sikhs are against self-rule, survey shows

Delhi (AFP) – A majority of Sikhs, both in India and abroad, are opposed to a separate Sikh homeland and want to remain part of India, according to a sample survey released in Delhi yesterday.

The survey, conducted by the National Intergration Council, also found that most Sikhs has full confidence in the leadership of Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister and believed that by remaining within India they would prosper.

Of the Sikhs in India covered by the survey, 87.68 per cent disapproved of the demand for a separate Sikh nation, 7.66 per cent were neutral, and 4.66 per cent supported a separate homeland.

Sikh militants are campaigning for greater political autonomy for the rich farming north-western state of Punjab, which borders Pakistan. A hard-core section of the militant Akali Dal party is demanding secession from the Indian union and formation of a separate Sikh homeland – Khalistan or "land of the pure".



Explosive disclosure: Dr Ernesto Montgomery, "psychic counsellor" to Vicki Morgan, announcing that she had given him a videotape of sexual acts which she described as "political dynamite" the day before she was murdered.

Chad wins $10m aid from US

Washington (AFP) – The United States is to send $10m (£6.5m) worth of military and food aid to the Government of President Hissene Habre of Chad in its war against troops supporting the former President Goukouni Oueddei, State Department sources said yesterday. President Reagan gave approval for the aid to be flown to Chad after informing congress confidentially on Monday.

The initial aid consignment will consist of vehicles, uniforms and food, and deliveries are expected to begin before the end of this week. Subsequent shipments could include light arms and ammunition.

This is the first sizeable aid to President Habre's Government since fighting between his forces and the Libyan-backed troops of his opponent resumed earlier this year.

Senior State Department officials said that the US aid was meant primarily to back up French and Zairean

Unofficial sources here said that France had already delivered some 400 tons of military supplies to Chad.

Pentagon experts believe that Libyan intervention in Chad is aimed at destabilizing the governments of Sudan and Egypt from bases in Chad.

● NDJAMENA: The Chadian Government denied it had hired mercenaries and described armed whites seen close to the eastern combat zone as foreign friends personally attached to the Chadian cause (Reuter reports).

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American response to arms plan attacked

Geneva (Reuter) – Mr Viktor Karpov, Moscow's chief negotiator at the Strategic Arms Reduction (Start) talks, said yesterday that the United States had not reacted positively to new Soviet porposals lowering the limits on missile numbers.

Asked whether the Soviet Union and the United States had moved closer to an agreement on long-range weapons following the new proposals, Mr Karpov said: "I would not say so."

He declined to give details of Moscow's new initiatives, reported from Washington to centre on lower missile limits for each side. But when asked if the US reaction to them had been positive he replied: "No."

Mr Karpov was asked whether progress in the talks was tied to progress to parallel US-Soviet negotiations in Geneva on European-based missiles.

He replied: "I would not compare them. There are some talks there and we have some talks here and the problems that we are discussing are very important by themselves. So we are trying to do our best."

Law enshrines accepted practice

Polish police allowed to shoot civilians

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

The right of militiamen and security agents to shoot at civilians, one of the most sensitive areas of Polish history, has been spelt out for the first time in the new police law approved by Parliament last week.

The full text of the measure, which is part of a body of legislation designed to replace martial law, emerged yesterday. The law says militia commanders may give the order to shoot if the situation requires – that is, there is no need ot wait for instructions from the party leadership.

Firearms may be used to prevent attempts on the lives of a militiaman or security agent, to prevent attack on important state buildings and facilities, against anybody who attacks a convoy carrying people or money and to prevent the escape of an arrested person. Both the self-defence and protection of buildings clauses make it possible for militiamen to shoot during demonstrations.

Policemen can also use guns while chasing a person suspected of having committed a serious crime – that is, terrorism, espionage, subversion, murder or robbery – and against anyone who does not drop his weapon when ordered to. The police are obliged under this law to aim so as to inflict non-fatal wounds.

The law simply formalizes waht is already accepted practice. Until now, however, police conduct has been regulated by general guidelines issued by the interior Ministry, supplemented by secret instructions. The law now spells these out, as a warning to Poles in advance of the lifting of martial law.

One of the prime reasons for the unpopularity of the militia during martial law – when at least 15 people were shot in various demonstrations – has been the feeling that the police were acting in an unauthorized way. Theoretically, the definition of police rights should mean that relatives of people wounded in clashes would be able to seek redress through a court of law.

The question of the right to shoot is a crucial one in Poland. in 1956, militiamen shot at workers on Poznan and in 1970 at workers in Gdansk. Both actions led to the ousting of the party leadership.

Ciskei security chief arrested amid coup rumours

From Michael Hornsby
Johannesburg

The former security chief in Ciskei, one of South Africa's nominally independent tribal homelands, was arrested yesterday amid rumours that he had been involved in a coup attempt last week against his elder brother, Chief Lennox Sebe, the President of Ciskei.

The detention of Lieutenant-General Charles Sebe and his top adviser, Brigadier T. Minaar, was announced at a press conference by Mr D. Takane, Ciskei's Minister of Justice. Half a dozen other senior police officers and the son of Ciskei's vice-president are also reported to have been arrested.

Mr Takane said all the detainees would "definitely be charged" as soon as the case against them was ready. Investigations were continuing into a shooting attack on the home of Mr B. N. Pityi, the Foreign Minister, and there could well be more arrests.

General Sebe, who was demoted on Saturday, denies any part in a coup attempt. Speaking from his home in Ciskei shortly before his arrest, he said: "I have been waiting for something to happen to me. For three weeks all the people around me have been detained. It would be better if I were arrested and appeared in court. If I run away all the liars will come out."

TIMES PAST THE TIMES

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SETTLED AT A PRICE

There are many on the Opposition benches who will seek to make political capital out of the Government's decision, confirmed in the House of Commons yesterday by the Prime Minister, to make peace with the Stock Exchange. Conservative governments and the City are natural allies and it always seemed unlikely – if a suitable settlement could be arranged – that Ministers would allow the Stock Exchange to be dragged through a long court case defending itself against allegations that not only is it a monopoly, but it is one which acts against the public interest.

The government has now held out an olive branch and asked the Stock Exchange voluntarily to forego some of its more obviously anti-competitive practices in return for dropping the case. It is, in short, offering an out-of-court settlement. However if the government is to avoid the accusation that it has one law for public sector monopolies which are said to be against the public interest, and another one for a monopoly operated in and by the City, then it is important that the compromise which is finally struck does represent genuine public advantage and a significant modification of the way in which the Stock Exchange conducts itself.

This may require a considerable act of statesmanship by the Council of the Stock Exchange. For seven years now it has been fighting the Office of Fair Trading, spending over £1 million in the process to prepare its defence. Inevitably it is deeply dug in behind its arguments. Now it must abandon its adversarial role in which it was not prepared to yield an inch, and instead propose changes which though they may be painful, are none the less overdue.

What these changes will be is a matter for negotiation between the parties concerned. But there must surely be substantial movement towards minimum commissions so that brokers have to some extent to compete on price. The stock exchange should also be more open to outside influences – to foreign investment houses with London offices perhaps – and to British financial institutions such as merchant banks which have to compete on an international stage and are hampered from doing so by the parochial nature of stock exchange membership rules.

At the heart of any healthy financial community lies a healthy stock exchange. London is an international financial centre and must remain so. It is therefore very important for the stock exchange to open its windows to international competition. It must tailor its rules to the needs of international commerce in the closing years of the twentieth century which are changing fast from those which have hitherto conditioned the structure and behaviour of British stockbroking firms. The Stock Exchange may have won its narrow point with the OFT. It must not lose it in the wider world through lack of vision.

SCORCHED EARTH, SOVIET-STYLE

The Greenpeace environmentalists arrested in Siberia while investigating a whaling station have drawn welcome attention to one aspect of a brooding ecological disaster of global proportions. The Soviet ships which pursued *Rainbow Warrior* to prevent filmed evidence reaching the outside world were trying to maintain a cover-up of the unprecedented damage done to a sixth of the earth's surface in sixty years of Soviet rule.

This is not the result of any deliberate act of policy, as were the millions of deaths caused by the purges and famines of the Stalin period. On the contrary, protection of the environment is enshrined in the Soviet constitution and scarcely a day passes without a concerned journalist exposing in the official media some criminal abuse of nature; the perpetrators are severely punished. But all those who live in the USSR, from privileged Politburo to imprisoned poacher, are victims of a system which deliberately stifles debate and suppresses undesirable statistics.

To build the first communist state – for the benefit of all humanity – Soviet leaders have given top priority to industrial growth. Prisoners of their own ideology, they insist that state ownership protects the environment more successfully than systems based on private property. Yet in an extraordinary celebration of gigantomania, vast schemes are all too frequently abandoned only after irreparable damage has been done.

A dam constructed in 1980 across the huge Kara Bogaz gulf to reduce evaporation from the Caspian Sea is now producing a salt desert, threatening agriculture and destroying fish stocks. According to *Pravda*: "now even the birds avoid this dead, white place". The plan to divert water from the great north-flowing rivers of Siberia to replenish the lakes and rivers of Central Asia and Kazakhstan could likewise do unimaginable harm to the ecology. Irrigation and hydro-electric schemes on the Volga, Irtysh and other rivers have flooded villages and fertile land. Flora and fauna have suffered, and industrial pollution of the Volga and Caspian have put at risk even the Politburo's caviar supplies. Khrushchev's virgin land schemes resulted in large-scale soil erosion.

Lake Issyk-Kul, the pearl of Kirghizia, is threatened by untreated effluents and oil leakage from oil tanks, while the world's greatest body of fresh water, Lake Baikal, with over a thousand unique species of flora and fauna, continues to suffer damage from forestry works, despite official claims to the contrary. Lake Ladoga, near Leningrad, has already reached a dangerously high level of pollution. The Sea of Azov now yields about one per cent of the fish harvest of the 1940s.

Factory managers prefer to pay a fine for pollution – or bribe the inspector – rather than underfulfil their plans. Local party barons organize hunting trips in game reserves, while ordinary poachers compensate for empty meat shops. Many incidents are reported in the official media, but any comprehensive indictment of the system circulates only clandestinely. For instance, evidence is suppressed of genetic defects and disease caused by pollution, though infant mortality has increased so much that statistics are no longer published. The Soviet system is indeed unfair to whales. But its chief victims are the peoples of the USSR themselves.

LOCAL BOY MAKES BAD

Councils need all the friends they can muster. From above they are assailed by ministers for whom "constitutional" niceties about the division of power in the state matter much less than the practicalities of high rates and big spending aggregates. And from below there is public indifference and ratepayers' hostility: the citizenry have a regard for council services but a low estimation of the institution that provides them and its cost. In this context the latest report of the Commission for Local Administration in England – the Local Ombudsman – does not make happy reading.

It is not so much the volume or the nature of complaints against councils that occasion disquiet. The number of complaints is a small total when set against the £20 billion annual cost of council provision or the population touched in one way or another by the town and county halls – though the small total could be a reflection of the Local Ombudsman's failure to advertize his presence to the general public. The complaints themselves are often trivial. They concern mainly public housing and planning applications. The municipalities are still, whatever the impact of the right of tenants to purchase their council homes, gigantic landlords who sometimes cannot, will not, or simply forget to repair and maintain their stock of houses and, at worst, treat their occupants with cold, bureaucratic contempt.

What is worrying is the attitude displayed by certain councils towards the Ombudsman's puny powers to investigate and make reports. Some councils, we are told, not only refuse to co-operate with his inquiries; for years they have ignored repeated efforts to put right wrongs judged to have been done to citizens. The suspicion grows that councillors have lost control of the administrative apparatus beneath them, allowing their officials to strut like municipal Prussians. Little wonder that Mrs Thatcher's government can point to deep public resentment at councils to justify its perilous descent into centralization.

The Local Ombudsman, despite his Nordic origins, has become a system for compromise and conciliation on familiar British lines. It is a system that councils should cherish, for when the public lose confidence in the ability of ombudsmen or district auditors to remedy bureaucratic heavy-handedness or councillors' partiality the demands for central interference will grow. Action is required on two fronts.

Under the 1974 Local Government Act which established the Commission for Local Administration citizens may not complain directly to the Ombudsman: grievances have to be processed through a councillor. The provision may originally have been well-intended – to discourage frivolous complaints, to promote local settlements by councillors' mediation. But there is now enough evidence that it actively discourages complaints; councillors themselves are often the object of complaint. The time has come for the government to change the rules and allow direct access by the public to the Ombudsman.

The same Act created as a buffer between the Local Ombudsman and councils a representative body comprising senior people from the counties', districts' and cities' associations. This body has proven active and articulate at pointing out where the Ombudsman affronts principles of local autonomy and council independence. But it has been less than forthcoming in pressing councils to accept the Ombudsman's verdict. A serious attempt should be made to impose discipline on those councils which have refused to redress wrongs identified by the Ombudsman. If the councils cannot police themselves then the civil servants and government ministers will.

Labour skeletons

From Mr William Rodgers

Sir, The argument about Mr Denis Healey's consistency on nuclear defence policy is becoming tedious. I will make one small contribution to it before turning to a wider matter.

From July, 1979, to November, 1980, I was the Labour Party's defence spokesman in the House of Commons. Mr Peter Blaker (July 13) accurately quotes me on theatre nuclear modernization. At all times I said that to accept the Nato decision of December, 1979, was wholly consistent with the position adopted by Labour when in government. I was not disowned by my colleagues and, as I recall, the matter was never raised in Shadow Cabinet. The continuity of policy was fully understood.

Not that my colleagues were comfortable. They preferred a *sotto voce* approach to such delicate issues. When I published a pamphlet setting out the case for Nato's twin track decision, there was a deafening silence. Mr Roy Hattersley, for one, was struck dumb when asked on television to comment on it.

But the wider matter is this. It should have been possible for the main Opposition party to achieve an element of bipartisanship with the Government of the day on nuclear policy. Similarly, given that nuclear policy involves large moral and political issues and substantial public expenditure (although not for cruise), there is much to be said for a thoroughly informed public opinion. Instead, successive governments have chosen to proceed in secrecy. This has extended to Parliament and even to Ministers and has gone far beyond what prudent security requires.

As Minister of State for Defence, I was intimately concerned for a short while with one aspect of the Chevaline programme. But, when answering questions in the House of Commons, I was instructed to rest on the "up-dating of Polaris" which should not be confused with "a new generation" of nuclear weapons.

Then, when I moved up into the Cabinet, decisions on nuclear policy vanished altogether from view. Any visit to Washington with normal access to defence gossip or to an American academic institution that specialised in security and arms control could have learnt what British Members of Parliament were being denied.

But MPs must blame themselves. The reluctance of the great majority of Labour MPs to dig deeper into defence matters except to find ammunition to oppose it, is matched by the strong military instinct of many Conservatives who enjoy the cloak-and-dagger approach to defence. As a result, the Select Committee on Defence often succumbed to the blandishments of Ministers who have contrived to divert it from too much probing.

Mr Denis Healey is good for a bit of fun and many people will treasure the memory of a distinguished Secretary of State for Defence standing on his head. But Mr Healey is a transient politician. The informed discussion of how Britain can be properly defended is an enduring concern.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM RODGERS,
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July 14.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No real signs of economic up-turn

From, Mr Alan Edwards

Sir, Mr Congdon's eulogy in your columns on July 14 on the current alleged turn-around of the UK economy is premature.

He correctly states that demand has increased significantly over the past 12 months and is happy to acknowledge that an enormous increase in consumer borrowing has brought this about. He does not go on to question whether this level of borrowing is sustainable.

Net saving has fallen to a record low, while personal debt is at a record high compared with incomes. It is clear that further new borrowing cannot sustain the growth in demand we have seen over the last 12 months, and that some other factor, not yet apparent, must emerge if the recovery is to be sustained.

On output, Mr Congdon correctly states that the May industrial output index, is four point up on November. The index, however, is extremely volatile and the latest published CSO industrial output statistics have been revised back to 1979.

In the third and fourth quarters of 1982, the monthly figures bobbed around an average of 102.4. The first quarter average in 1983 was 103 – hardly a major increase, even if provisional April and May figures have edged up slightly. And this includes oil output. The index of manufacturing output has languished at around 89 since early 1981.

The central problem for the economy remains the sterling exchange rate which has not responded appropriately to differential inflation rates since 1979. Sterling remains grossly overvalued by around 20 or 30 per cent. This is why imports have responded so much better than domestic output to higher levels of demand in 1983. (In late 1982, demand was largely satisfied by running down stocks.)

There will not, and cannot be, sustained recovery for the UK economy until this fundamental currency misalignment has been corrected, medium -term financial strategy or not.

Yours etc,
ALAN EDWARDS,
82 Perry Street,
Billericay,
Essex.
July 14.

From Professor Wynne Godley,

Sir, Mr Tim Congdon states (feature, July 14) that the Government has "adhered to a medium term financial strategy, that inflation has been reduced as a result and that there is evidence of a sustained recovery". He claims this proves wrong the 364 economists who signed a letter in early 1981 stating that demand deflation would not bring inflation permanently under control and thereby induce an automatic recovery in output and employment.

Although the Government has not in fact adhered to its medium-term financial strategy as set out in the March, 1980, Budget (money supply has grown by around 50 per cent since 1980 as against the 19-33 per cent target range fixed at that time), it is true that demand has been deflated and inflation has come down. But there is no evidence that inflation has been brought *permanently* under control, let alone that a substantial or sustained improvement in output and employment is under way. No one knows what would happen to inflation if sustained recovery were to occur and unemployment reduced significantly, but there is a fair chance that it would accelerate again.

Such growth as is now occurring, induced by the removal of HP controls last July as well as higher mortgage lending and stockbuilding, is not yet fast enough to stop unemployment rising although it has already wiped out our large current account surplus. An expansion based only on personal borrowing and stockbuilding is inherently unsustainable, and unless our international competitiveness improves dramatically it will fairly soon peter out.

Nothing has happened since 1981 to cause me to change the view I expressed then, nor I suspect would the other 363 economists wish to alter their statement.

Yours faithfully,
WYNNE GODLEY, Director,
Department of Applied Economics,
University of Cambridge,
Sidgwick Avenue,
Cambridge
July 18.

From Mr W. R. Eyres

Sir, Might one suggest that Tim Congdon (feature, July 14) has mistaken the half-time whistle for the end of the match?

Far from there having been a spontaneous recovery in personal borrowing, this was actively encouraged by the ending of hire-purchase controls last August and by the budget proposal to increase mortgage subsidies. The money supply has been allowed to breach its target by a wide margin, so it is hardly possible to argue that the so-called medium term financial strategy is intact, unless it was simply "stop-go" in other clothing.

It is thus too early to cheer from the side-lines. The test is not over; it has yet to come.

Yours faithfully,
W. R. EYRES,
26 Grove Terrace, NW5.
July 14.

Record of the Red Cross in Thailand

From the Count de Salis

Sir, The article by William Shawcross ("On a frontier of despair", June 27) should be welcomed in that it draws attention to the continuing tragedy of Indochina. This can only help to dispel the sad phenomenon of "compassion fatigue" in the international community.

That said, the article also contained allegations against "inadequate relief agencies" of which the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) was one. Having just returned after over two years as head of the ICRC delegation in Thailand, I would be grateful for the opportunity of pointing out certain areas where Mr Shawcross's opinions do not accord with the facts.

It is first of all surprising that, while the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and ICRC are singled out for attention, no mention whatsoever is made of the United Nations Border Relief Operation (*UNBRO*) – by far the largest relief agency active on the Thai/Cambodian border and responsible for co-ordinating the efforts of numerous private voluntary agencies – with which ICRC has consistently worked in close co-operation.

Secondly, as a generalisation, only *governments* can "give protection"; international organisations can only plead for it on behalf of others. In answer, therefore, to the "anguished petitions" (and since some of them were addressed to me personally I can vouch that they were) all that an international organisation *can* do is to negotiate with the governments concerned. It should surprise nobody that the details of such negotiations are of necessity confidential: few governments would negotiate on any other basis!

Since January this year, about 90,000 of the 200,000 people at the border have been displaced, by fighting in three major incidents, Nong Chan beginning January 31, Phnom Chat/KokTahan beginning March 31 and O'smack in early April. On each of these occasions Thailand allowed the refugees to seek temporary safety *on condition that they would be returned to the border.*

The human cost of these disasters in terms of dead will never accurately be known, but ICRC has treated some 1,500 emergency cases (a British Red Cross surgical team performed outstandingly, coping with up to 100 wounded in a day) and thousands of more lightly wounded were treated by ICRC and voluntary agencies at dressing stations and hospitals in the field. Hundreds of separated families were subsequently re-united by the ICRC tracing agency.

In fairness to my colleagues, three-quarters of whom are Thai, it might be added that they were under fire *with* the refugees and it was on that basis that the "request" to allow them to cross into Thailand was granted after three days on the first incident, and within 24 hours on the two subsequent ones. The lives saved by Thailand's merciful decision, following these negotiations, are quite as valuable as those saved by surgery after injury.

At "Red Hill", which was the evacuation site in Thailand following the second of the three major clashes, Mr Shawcross writes that "for several weeks both ICRC and UNHCR dithered and neglected to confront the Thai Government on this issue." Did we? I doubt whether the Royal Thai Government would agree.

"Confrontation" may not have been *the* preferred negotiating stance, but negotiations were immediate, continuous, with frequent oral and written representations made at the highest level, and were instrumental in securing freedom of choice for the 2,700 who were able to avoid returning to a Khmer Rouge area *in spite* of the fact that one of the refugees quoted by Mr Shawcross said "the Khmer Rouge soldiers will make them."

Further, the date for the move back to the border on 24/25 May was agreed well in advance with the Thai authorities, and the Army was instrumental in assuring that freedom of choice to return to a non-Khmer Rouge area would not be interfered with by armed elements.

I do not of course claim, suggest or imply that ICRC is blameless, but the only fair test of any relief action by an international organisation (and much else besides) is not "Was the underlying political problem solved, and all suffering abolished?" but rather "Was everything that could be done to relieve suffering done, as well as humanly possible, with the resources available?" It is a heartbreaking fact that ICRC being essentially concerned with the victims of armed conflicts, is more directly concerned operationally with the *relief* of suffering rather than its *abolition*.

Mr Shawcross's allegation that "some international organisations" (and since only two are mentioned it is reasonable to assume that ICRC is one of them) "have reason to feel ashamed of their current policies" is a very grave one, and, if it is well founded, I should be grateful to know in what respect.

If, as I contend, it is not, then it may be that it is some journalist who has better reason to feel ashamed.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
JOHN de SALIS,
28 Upper Cheyne Row, SW3.

Forensic evidence

From Sir David Napley

Sir, Mr Mayhew, in answer to a parliamentary question put by Dr Summerskill on May 9, said:

> It is already the practice for the results of examinations by Home Office forensic science laboratories to be made available both to the prosecution and the defence. In addition, arrangements exist whereby the services of the laboratories are made available via the police for the examination of specimens on behalf of the defence. The results of such examinations are also made known to both sides.

The last sentence of this answer is incorrect. The results of such examinations are not made available to both sides. The remainder of the answer may give a wholly misleading impression.

The practice of the Government laboratories, about which many of us have protested over many years without avail (and I write as the Director and Past President of the British Academy of Forensic Sciences, although not on their behalf) is that if a laboratory has expressed an opinion on specimens submitted by the police, none of its experts is permitted to assist the defence, either generally or by examining further specimens or re-examining the original ones.

Although the laboratories must exist for the furtherance of justice they are subject to an inflexible rule which, in the vast bulk of cases, frustrates their use by the defence on the odd and indefensible principle that one expert in a laboratory ought never to be seen expressing a different opinion, on a scientific matter, from an expert in the same or a different government scientific laboratory.

Moreover, the one fact about which the parliamentary answer is open and explicit is that the defence, if it is permitted to submit a specimen for examination, is obliged to do it through the police, thus wholly defeating the basic principle of English law that it is never incumbent upon the defence to disclose its case to the prosecution.

The one comfort that can be drawn from this parliamentary answer is that if those who must have prepared it for the Minister to deliver saw fit to phrase it in the way they did, at least, it shows that they are justly ashamed of recognising the true position.

Yours truly,
DAVID NAPLEY,
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July 13.

Function of design

From Mr R. H. Ransford

Sir, In "Design: the failure is in marketing" (Industrial notebook, July 5) David Phillips quotes as an engineering rule of thumb that if it looks right it probably is right. The engineer's maxim, however, is that if it is right it looks right – with the corollary that if it looks right it *may* be right.

It appears to be more than time to make a clear distinction between design, which relates to function, and style, which relates to appearance and fashion. Once we have done so, Mr Phillips will no longer dare to talk about designing a "go-faster stripe" and we shall benefit by having products that are better designed and better looking, be they cars or clothes.

Yours sincerely,
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Tuscany,
Lavenham Road,
Great Waldingfield,
Sudbury, Suffolk.
July 5.

Orchid survival

From Professor K. Jones

Sir, I have read with interest the recent correspondence in *The Times* on the protection of rare and endangered orchids in the British Isles and would like to set the record straight on several of the points raised.

First of all, to say that *Orchis militaris* and other species are on the extreme of their ranges in this country and thus probably "on the way out" (Mr L. R. Lewis, June 18) is questionable and an oversimplification. Records show clearly that most of the endangered species including *O. militaris* were once quite widespread in the country. The range for example of the Lady's Slipper orchid once extended from Derbyshire north to Cumbria and Durham.

Destruction of habitat is the main cause of their decline here. Those plants that survive are, for the most part, as vigorous as any seen abroad so that any suggestion that British plants might be a poor representative of their European counterparts would seem wide of the mark.

The suggestion that seeds of rare species be introduced from European plants of endangered species such as *Cypripedium calceolus* and *Orchis militaris* (Dr Kenneth Marsh, June 23) is, in our view, premature. Seed of these and of other endangered species from British plants is perfectly viable. We now possess the technology to grow plants from seed and to reintroduce them to the wild if necessary (see *New Science* (1983) vol 198: 540).

A programme with this in view and with the cooperation of the Nature Conservancy Council is currently being undertaken by scientists at Kew. We thereby hope to preserve the integrity of the wild British stocks of rare orchids and to considerably improve their chances of survival on a more healthy basis than at present.

The work of various county naturalist trusts and other wildlife groups in protecting the orchids that remain will then be seen as the vital first step in the rehabilitation process now becoming available.

Yours faithfully,
KEITH JONES, Deputy Director,
Royal Botanic Gardens,
Kew,
Richmond,
Surrey.
July 4.

New Labour daily

From Mr Eric Moonman

Sir, In discussing the problem of editorial control of a putative Labour daily newspaper, Bernard Levin (feature, July 4) is raising but one of the complex questions inherent in such a venture.

Practical management sense with regard to newspaper production suggests that a more serious issue is whether the "ownership" would have the confidence, let alone the capital, for the initial launch and the capacity, running into millions of pounds, to sustain and exploit a market in a very tough, competitive industry.

The long history of Labour newspaper ventures has been dismal. Even the party's official publication, the well-edited *Labour Weekly*, is unable to increase its sales beyond 20,000 copies, which shows quite graphically the difficulty in relying on Labour Party supporters to sustain a publication.

There is no "natural Labour reader" and if there were, he or she is quite likely to be reading the *Daily Express* (for its sports coverage) or the *Daily Mirror* or the *Sun* (for the hell of it). This is why the Labour Party's National Executive Subcommittee on the Media, of which I was a member, did not regard a national paper as a priority and, therefore, why all reference to it was deleted from the manifesto.

The committee's thrust was to urge resources towards the setting up of a launch fund to assist new publications, with particular emphasis on local, regional and specialist publications.

The odd feature about the current debate, centred on Lord McCarthy's report, is that the evidence he presents on costings is extremely thin; nor has the information been extrapolated on a significant scale. The enquiry also fails to say how trade union practices in the print would be any more favourable to a Labour daily paper than they are currently for the *Financial Times*.

Yours faithfully,
ERIC MOONMAN,
1 Beacon Hill, N7.
July 11.

UN Water Decade

From Mr G. Arthur Brown

Sir, Tony Samstag's article in your July 13 issue claiming that the UN Water Decade has been abandoned recalled Mark Twain's comment following the premature appearance of his obituary.

As chairman of the Decade's Steering Committee for Cooperative Action, I can assure you that the UN has not abandoned, and will not abandon, the universal mandate voted by its General Assembly in 1980 to make every effort towards providing water and sanitation for as many people as possible during the 1980s.

Yours sincerely,
G. ARTHUR BROWN,
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New York.
July 14.

Diplomatic duties

From Mr David Simons

Sir, In his Parliamentary written reply, Lord Elton states that wheel clamping of diplomatic cars is to be discontinued because legal advice suggests that the practice contravenes the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations.

This is all very well, but it would not go amiss were the diplomatic community (particularly the junior staff, some of whom blatantly ignore parking regulations) to be reminded that the same Vienna Convention states under Article 4(1) that ". . . it is the duty of all persons enjoying . . . privileges and immunities to respect the laws and regulations of the receiving State".

Also, in the view of the general public, the question of illegal diplomatic car parking epitomises the entire range of diplomatic privileges and immunities. Thus, the constant abuse of these privileges is arguably bringing the whole system into disrepute.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID SIMONS,
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Finchley, N12.
July 15.

Musical form

From Mr Alfred Brendel

Sir, Because I had to liken some of Mr Scruton's views on "deviant" contemporary music (June 30) to those of Goebbels and Zhdanov, he feels (feature, July 12) that I have compared him to the Nazi minister altogether.

As I gratefully realize, Mr Scruton is not in the position to impose on musicians and music lovers his assumption that, in musical culture, the tail is wagging the dog.

Yours faithfully,
ALFRED BRENDEL,
c/o Ingpen and Williams,
14 Kensington Court, W8.
July 13.

Over-tired?

From Mr Fritz Spiegl.

Sir, Mr Philip Howard (July 13) may agree with my suggestion that "knackers" probably sprang from the Persian and Arabic *naggara*, which were small drums strapped to the loins. They came to Britain in the middle ages (variously described as *nakers*, *nakeres* or *nakeren*). The larger usually hung on the left, as with all higher/lower instrumental juxta positions, (except, for some curious reason, mounted kettle-drums in the British Army).

Nakers are mentioned in Chaucer and depicted in the Luttrell Psalter (and, by the way, do *not* rhyme with "acres", as nervous Radio 3 usage has tried to establish). Might not a medieval percussionist engaging over-energetically in such inguinal drumming have felt literally "knackered" in the modern colloquial sense?

Yours etc,
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July 13.

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 19: Mr J. M. Willson (Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Abidjan, and at Niamey) and Mrs Willson had the honour of being received by The Queen.

His Excellency Dr Galo Leoro was received in audience by Her Majesty and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Ecuador to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy, who had the honour of being presented to The Queen: Mr Byron Morejón-Almeida (Minister), Mr Rafael Paredes (Second Secretary) and Mrs Maria Victoria Estupiñán (Third Secretary).

Mr Sydney Giffard (Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty was present, and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

His Excellency Dr Eamon Kennedy and Mrs Kennedy were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Ireland to the Court of St James's.

Mr N. J. Barrington was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands on his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at Beirut.

Admiral Sir Anthony Morton had the honour of being received by The Queen when Her Majesty handed to him the Rod, Badge and Chain of Office on his appointment as King of Arms of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon Party in the Garden of Buckingham Palace.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Princess Alexandra, the Hon Mrs Angus Ogilvy and the Hon Angus Ogilvy and Colonel Sir Henry and Lady May Abel Smith were present.

Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms and The Queen's Bodyguard of the Yeomen of the Guard were on duty.

The Bands of The Life Guards and the 1st Battalion The Royal Green Jackets played selections of music during the afternoon.

The Right Hon Margaret Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury) had an audience of The Queen this evening.

The Duke of Edinburgh this evening attended the Royal International Horse Show at the White City Stadium, London, where His Royal Highness was received by the President of the Show (General Sir John Mogg).

Lieutenant-Commander Andrew Wynn, RN was in attendance.

Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded Mrs John Dugdale as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 19: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this afternoon at a performance of the Royal Tournament at Earls Court.

Lady Elizabeth Basset, Sir Martin Gilliat and Captain the Hon Jeremy Stopford were in attendance.

Lady Elizabeth Basset has succeeded Lady Angela Oswald as Lady-in-Waiting to Her Majesty.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 19: The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall, this morning presided at a meeting of The Prince's Council at the Duchy of Cornwall Office, 10 Buckingham Gate, SW1, and subsequently, with The Princess of Wales, Duchess of Cornwall, entertained the Members of the Council to luncheon at Kensington Palace.

The Hon Edward Adeane and Mr John Higgs were in attendance.

His Royal Highness, President of the Royal College of Music Centenary Appeal, this evening gave a Reception in the State Apartments of Kensington Palace.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 19: The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester visited the East of England Show, Peterborough, today.

Their Royal Highnesses travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland and Mrs Euan McCorquodale were in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 19: The Duke of Kent, as Grand Master, this morning attended the Annual Service of the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George at St Paul's Cathedral.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

Princess Anne will open an exhibition to celebrate Arthur Ackermann and Son's bicentenary in Bond Street, London, on October 4, and open a new food hall in Harrods as part of a joint event being organized by Food from Britain and Harrods.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Elisabeth Hambro will be held at St George's, Hanover Square, at noon today.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir William Walton, OM, will be held in Westminster Abbey today at 4.30 p.m.

Luncheon

Glovers' Company

The Master of the Glovers' Company, Mr Neville Rayner, assisted by the Wardens, entertained the livery and their guests at a luncheon held at Merchant Taylors' Hall yesterday. The other speakers were Mr Owen Kelly, Assistant Commissioner of Police for the City of London, and Captain Eric Brown.

Dinners

Speaker

The Speaker gave a dinner in Speaker's House yesterday evening in honour of a Commonwealth Parliamentary Association working party. The guests were: Senator Dr Obafemi Ayantuga, Dr Bal Ram Jakhar, Senator Reginald Jeune, Senator Douglas McClelland, Mr Gerald Ottenheimer, Mr Keith Penner, Dato Abdul Samad Shahrir, Mr James Smith, Mr Ernest Armstrong, MP, Mr Nigel Lawson, MP, Mr Gordon Oakes, MP, Mr Donald Anderson, MP, Mr Guy Barnett, MP, Miss Betty Boothroyd, MP, Sir Bernard Braine, MP, Lord Chelwood, Sir Walter Clegg, MP, Sir Paul Dean, MP, Mr Tony Durant, MP, Mr Ted Garrett, MP, Lord Harmer-Nicholls, Lord Lloyd of Kilgerran, QC, Sir Peter Mills, MP, Mr Fergus Montgomery, MP, Mr James Tinn, MP, Baroness Vickers, Sir Robin Vanderfelt, Mr Peter Cobb, Mr John Henderson, the Rev Alan Luff, Miss Betty May, Mr Palitha Weerasinghe and Mr William Beaumont.

Royal Society of Medicine

Sir James Watt, President of the Royal Society of Medicine, last night presided at a dinner for council after the last meeting of the session.



Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother arriving at Earls Court, London, yesterday to attend a luncheon in aid of war widows. Later she watched a performance of the Royal Tournament. (Photograph: Brian Harris).

Forthcoming marriages

Mr H. E. Johnson and the Hon Diana G. A. Pritchard

The engagement is announced between Harry, only son of Mr and Mrs H. L. Johnson, of Offchurch Bury, Warwickshire, and Diana, younger daughter of Lord and Lady Pritchard, of West Haddon Hall, Northamptonshire.

Mr T. W. Brewis and Miss S. A. V. McKay

The engagement is announced between Thomas, eldest son of the late Rev J. S. Brewis and Lady Anne Brewis, and Susan, eldest daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel J. A. McKay and the late Mrs U. M. F. McKay.

Mr R. W. B. Maclean and Mrs E. J. Houldsworth

The engagement is announced between Robin William Bourke Maclean, younger son of Sir Robert and Lady Maclean, Woodend, Houston, Renfrewshire, and Elizabeth Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. A. Orr, Montgreenan, Kilwinning, Ayrshire.

Mr P. C. K. Ancill and Miss B. R. Evans

The engagement is announced between Patrick Charles Kendrick Ancill, BSc, second son of Professor and Mrs R. J. Ancill, of Wells, Somerset, and Bernice Rendle, only daughter of Mr and Mrs M. H. Evans, of King's Norton, Birmingham.

Mr D. W. Barnett and Miss S. E. King

The engagement is announced between Derek William, only son of Mrs D. P. Barnett and the late Mr D. W. Barnett, of Broadstone, Dorset, and Sarah Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Mike King, of Moat Cottage, Pleshey, Essex.

Dr G. S. Barr and Miss R. M. Bickerton

The engagement is announced between Geoffrey, younger son of Mr and Mrs. J. Barr, of Blundellsands, Liverpool, and Rowena Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. G. Bickerton, of Hampstead, London.

Mr R. J. Fenwick Elliott and Miss S. A. Kelly

The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs D. G. Elliott, of London, W5, and Sue, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs W. J. Kelly, of London, SW16.

Captain R. S. Floyer-Acland and Miss S. M. Synge

The engagement is announced between Richard Floyer-Acland, The Light Infantry, elder son of Brigadier and Mrs S. N. Floyer-Acland, of The Manor House, West Stafford, Dorchester, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. M. Synge, of Wilcot House, Nesscliffe, Shropshire.

Herr W. Kessler and Miss E. A. L. Otter-Barry

The engagement is announced between Wolfgang, younger son of Herr and Frau Heinz Kessler, of Heidelberg, West Germany, and Lisa, younger daughter of Major and Mrs Leycester Otter-Barry, of The Old Rectory, Bagendon, Cirencester, Gloucester.

Mr S. R. Morpurgo and Miss R. O. Vernon

The engagement is announced between Stephen Richard, son of Mr and Nrs Ralph Morpurgo, of London, and Rachel Oenone, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Vernon of Matfield, Kent.

Mr T. H. Morton and Miss C. E. J. Bayman

The engagement is announced between Timothy Hamish, son of Mr and Mrs Ferris Morton, of Warminster, Wiltshire, and Clare Elizabeth Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Bayman, of Corsley, Wiltshire.

Mr C. A. Rogers and Miss F. M. Thorpe

The engagement is announced between Charles Andrew, third son of Mr and Mrs R. W. Rogers, of Thornbury, the Avenue, Crowthorne, Berkshire, and Fiona Mary, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs J. N. Thorpe, of Meadowside, Ropley, Alresford, Hampshire.

Marriage

Mr A. Gabb and Miss A. Wynter Bee

The marriage took place on Saturday, July 16, at Chobham, between Mr Anthony Gabb and Miss Anne Wynter Bee.

Birthdays today

Commissioner Catherine Bramwell-Booth, 100; Professor Sir John Dacie, 71; Mr Desmond Douglas, 28; General Sir Jack Harman, 63; Sir Edmund Hillary, 64; Dr R. E. Holttum, 88; Mr Charlie Magri, 27; Miss Diana Rigg, 45; Professor Keith Simpson, 76; Dame Veronica Wedgwood, OM, 73.

Dorothy Whitelock memorial

Newnham College, Cambridge, intends to establish a Studentship to honour the memory of the late Professor Dorothy Whitelock, Litt D., FBA, and in recognition of her outstanding contribution to Anglo-Saxon studies.

The studentship could be held either by a research student preparing a dissertation for a higher degree within the Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Department in the University of Cambridge, or an affiliated student reading for the Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic tripos, that is, a student with a first degree from another university either in the UK or abroad coming to Cambridge to take advantage of the unique specialist training which the Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic tripos provides.

The award would be tenable for two years and open to both men and women. The successful candidate, if a woman, would become a member of Newnham College, and if a man, a member of Emmanuel College.

Newnham College therefore asks for contributions to a memorial fund to enable the Dorothy Whitelock studentship to be established. The college proposes to contribute to the fund the bequest made to it under the terms of Professor Whitelock's will, for the encouragement of the field of study represented by the Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Department in Cambridge.

All contributions should be sent to, and convenant and banker's order forms may be obtained from, the Bursar, Newnham College, Cambridge CB3 9DF. Those resident in the US or Canada should in the first instance however write to the Bursar, who will then advise them on how best to make their donations. Cheques should be made payable to the Dorothy Whitelock Memorial Fund.

Mr Theobald Mathew

The headline on the requiem Mass for Mr Theobald Mathew published yesterday should have read Requiem Mass, not Memorial service.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
The Duke of Westminster and Mr Christopher Benson to be trustees of the Civic Trust.

Science report

US rubber plant bounces back

New York (NYT): Scientists have doubled the production of rubber from a desert plant by spraying it with a chemical stimulant, according to a report from the National Science Foundation, in Washington, in the United States. The study was conducted on guayule, a rubber-producing shrub native to south-western Texas and northern Mexico. Although the plant was grown in a controlled greenhouse environment, Dr H. T. Huang, programme director for alternative biological resources at the foundation, said that the method could be used to develop a domestic natural rubber industry in the United States in about 10 years. time. The United States imports all its natural rubber, about 800,000 tons each year, at a cost of more than $1,000m, Dr Huang said.

Synthetic rubber, which accounts for 75 per cent of all rubber used in the United States, generates heat faster under friction than natural rubber. As a result, it is not used for aircraft tyres, treads for tanks, radial tyres and other heavy-duty equipment.

In the study, Dr Chauncey Benedict, of Texas A & M University, working with Dr Henry Yokoyama of the United States Department of Agriculture in Pasadena, California, sprayed guayule with the stimulant, dichlorophenoxy-triethylamine, or DCPTA. After 120 days, the guayule contained 5.23 per cent rubber, while unsprayed plants produced only 2.83 per cent rubber.

Before the method could be used on a large scale, research had to determine whether DCPTA would produce the same results outside the greenhouse and also to establish where guayule would grow best, Dr Benedict said. Parts of California, Arizona and New Mexico also have climates that can support the growth of the plant.

Research on rubber production from guayule began late in the nineteenth century. It picked up again in the Second World War, when imports of natural rubber from south-east Asia were cut off, and 36,000 acres of the south west United States were used to grow guayule. By the early 1950s funding for the project was discontinued.

The present research was stimulated by the oil embargoes of the mid-1970s. Most synthetic rubber is oil-based.

First-class honours degrees

Reading

The following First Class Honours degrees from the University of Reading are announced.

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AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS

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Essex

The following First Class Honours degrees from the University of Essex are announced.

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Sussex

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Leicester

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Ulster

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Loughborough

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Warwick

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Surrey

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Bath

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OBITUARY

AIR MARSHAL SIR HAROLD WHITTINGHAM

Contributions to aviation medicine

Air Marshal Sir Harold Whittingham, KCB, KBE, FRCP, who died on July 16 at the age of 95, had a long and distinguished career in the Medical Service of the Royal Air Force and was its Director-General from 1941 to 1946. After his retirement from the Air Force he was Director of Medical Services to the British Services to the British Overseas Airways Corporation from 1948 to 1957 and Medical Adviser to the Colonial Development Corporation and later the Commonwealth Development Corporation.

Whittingham was highly regarded in many spheres of his profession being one to whom old age did not mean a cessation of activity. He was held in particular esteem for his contributions to aviation medicine and sat on committees concerned with the development of this field, but his earliest work to attract attention was concerned with the health of airmen on the ground and he won the Chadwick gold medal as long ago as 1925 for his research into the origin and prevention of sandfly fever in Malta. Two years earlier he had won the North Persian Forces Memorial Medal for his work.

Honours came his way into his last years and one which he particularly appreciated was the naming of the chair of aviation medicine at the RCP the Whittingham professorship in 1973.

Harold Edward Whittingham was born on October 3, 1887, the second son of Engineer, Rear-Admiral William Whittingham, CB. He was educated at Christ's Hospital and at Glasgow University, where he graduated MB, ChB in 1910 and was then appointed pathologist and assistant director of research at the Royal Cancer Hospital. He held this post until 1914 when he worked first with the Scottish National Red Cross and then joined the RAMC.

Throughout the greater part of 1915-18 he served in India and Mesopotamia, being mentioned in despatches; but in 1919 he was transferred to the Royal Air Force as a pathologist. He obtained the DPH and DTM & H diplomas in 1919 and 1920 respectively.

From 1925 to 1930 he was Director of Pathology to the Royal Air Force and for the greater part of the same period he also acted as a lecturer in biochemistry at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. During his subsequent career in the Royal Air Force he held in succession the posts of consultant in pathology and tropical medicine (1930-35), officer commanding Central Medical Establishment (1934-39), consultant in hygiene, pathology and tropical medicine (1935-39).

At the outbreak of the Second World War he was appointed director of hygiene at the Air Ministry, and in 1941 he became Director-General of Medical Services. He was chief executive officer of the Flying Personnel Research Committee from 1939-41 and was later chairman of the committee.

Among other honours which he received were the John Jeffries Award of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences of the USA in 1944. The LLD Glasgow *(hon causa)* was conferred upon him in 1943.

He married in 1912 Agnes Kerr, daughter of William Seright, MD, of Greenock. Of this marriage there was a son and a daughter. His wife died in 1966 and he married secondly, Rita, daughter of W. Harold White.

MR DAVID WARD

Mr David Ward, CBE, who died in Dunedin, New Zealand, on July 16 at the age of 61, was a notable Scottish operatic bass who was equally impressive in Wagnerian roles and in Verdi.

Born in Dumbarton he was educated at St Patrick's School, Dumbarton, and served during the war in the Royal Navy from 1940 to 1943 and subsequently in the Royal Indian Navy from 1943 to 1946.

He studied at the Royal College of Music and later at Munich with Hans Hotter, subsequently joining the Chorus of Sadler's Wells Opera in 1952. He was to stay at Sadler's Wells for six years, singing in that time a variety of roles beginning with the Old Bard in Boughton's *The Immortal Hour* in 1952. His entry into Wagner began with the company and he sang the title role in *The Flying Dutchman*.

In 1959 he moved to Covent Garden where he was to stay until 1964, making his debut as Pogner in 1960. Under Kempe who greatly encouraged him he then tackled a number of other roles including that of Morosus in the first performance in Britain of Strauss's *Die schweigsame Frau*.

When Solti did the complete *Ring* cycle at Covent Garden in 1964 Ward sang Wotan and this was one of the roles in which he was to perform with great acclaim. King Mark in *Tristan and Isolde* was another of his successes.

But Ward did not like to think of himself specifically as a Wagner singer. In 1960 he had sung Lord Walton in *I Puritani* at Glyndebourne and his roles at Covent Garden included Arkel in *Pelléas et Mélisande* and Pope Clement in *Benvenuto Cellini*. His Boris Godunov for the Scottish opera was highly thought of and he was also a natural Verdi singer, Zaccaria in *Nabucco* being one of his favourite roles.

After he left Covent Garden he sang in Europe and the United States, as well as South America where he did the *Ring* in Buenos Aires. In 1979 he settled in Otago in New Zealand but continued to travel to America for several months a year for singing engagements.

Ward had a voice of great range and beauty, together with an innate dramatic sense which lent a deeply moving quality to many of his roles.

DR D. L. GUNN

Dr Donald Livingston Gunn, CBE, formerly Director of the International Red Locust Control Service (IRLCS) in central Africa, died on July 16 at the age of 78.

Brought into Uvarov's wartime anti-locust research team on the strength of his analyses of animal behaviour, his introduction to locust control was as leader of an RAF-supported field research party in Kenya. The take-off behaviour of locusts in potential target swarms was meticulously studied, and trials of aircraft spraying were undertaken in war-time circumstances of near-impossible improvisation. Experience and inevitable meagre immediate results were recorded and published in impeccable and invaluable detail, which provided consolation, standards and inspiration to those who followed up his work in somewhat easier circumstances in later years.

He became responsible for the development of a logical and quantitative approach to the problems of locust control, and for initiating integrated programmes of laboratory and field investigations into questions which then arose. From this research much of the current understanding of the basic processes in particular of insect flight and migration has been derived.

He then left the academic world and accepted the challenge and responsibilities of taking charge of the recently-established IRLCS, operating in some of the most remote areas of Tanzania and Zambia, where Gunn and his wife Barbara themselves pioneered hundreds of kilometres of new routes through uninhabited tsetse-infested bush.

At the time of his arrival the service was still in a state of heroic but unambiguous inadequacy; Gunn's response was to inaugurate a programme of operational research which, within a few years, enabled IRLCS to cope with its conditions and its locusts – and, moreover, at reduced cost, reported in a characteristically brief letter to *Nature* as "non-Parkinsonian development." Appreciation in then-colonial member countries of the service was recognized in 1958 when Gunn was made CBE.

In later years he did much to promote an objective approach to the environmental hazards of pesticides, and he served with distinction as president both of the Royal Entomological Society and of the Association of Applied Biologists.

ROBERT CORNFORD

Robert Cornford, the British composer, conductor and pianist who worked in the fields of classical music and jazz, died in London on July 17. He was 43.

Born on May 15, 1940 in Brazil, he spent his early childhood there but was educated in England. He studied at the Royal College of Music.

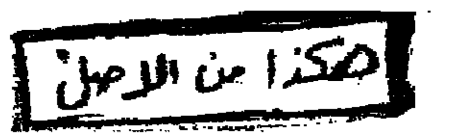
A lifelong interest in the music of the Second Viennese School led to his appointment as conductor of the Webern Ensemble, which combined its modern orientation with performances of early and baroque music, and in 1964 he joined the English Opera Group to assist Benjamin Britten with the first performance of *Curlew River*.

In 1969 his music was broadcast by Danish State Radio; when, the following year, North German Radio commissioned an extended work, the European interest in his work led him to move first to West Berlin and later to Copenhagen, where he stayed as conductor, composer and producer of music programmes until his return to Britain in 1979.

In recent years he had conducted the Fires of London, the London Bach Orchestra and BBC staff orchestras; he had also participated, with the saxophonist Tony Coe and the bassist Chris Laurence, in an ensemble known as Three, and had become engaged in compiling a complete edition of the work of the early twentieth century British composer Peter Warlock.

Most recently, Cornford had been heard in London as a member of the group accompanying the American jazz saxophonist Lee Konitz.





THE ARTS

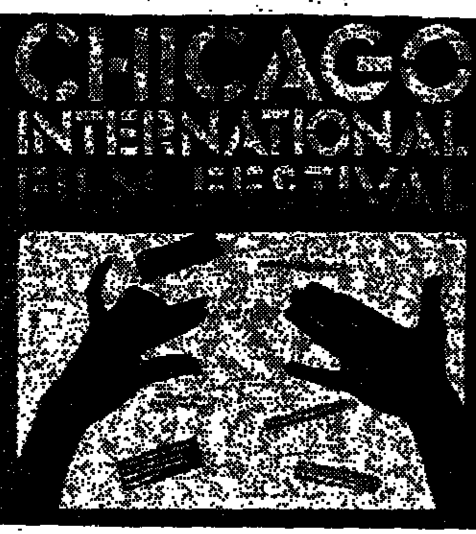
The biennial Moscow International Film Festival, the major socialist cultural event of its kind, is currently in progress, boasting two hundred films and a thousand guests from 104 countries. It is the only major international film festival which is not covered on this page, only because Moscow has since 1971 declined to invite *The Times*' successive critics. The festival's slogan, "for humanism in cinema art, for peace and friendship among nations", does not extend to every Tom, Dick or Harry: Moscow runs a tight ship and takes no risks of rocking it.

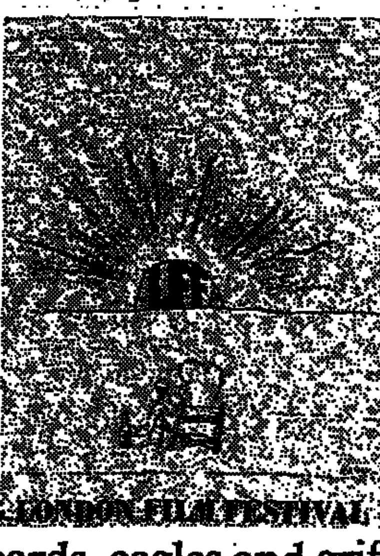
The same applies to the choice of films. *Local Hero* was rejected, presumably because it depicts a sociable Soviet seaman who fraternizes and trades unofficially with Bill Forsyth's Scots. The Moscow selectors clearly feel easier – in terms of humanism – with films like *America – From Hitler to MX* and *Ecocide – Strategy of War*, which represent the United States in the shorts section of the festival.

Moscow's firmly exercised veto on entries is one of the reasons why the British Film and Television Producers' Association, which is normally responsible for British festival participation, is no longer officially represented – though they stress that they do not discourage their members from entering films. This disregard has evidently been disappointing to the Moscow organizers, who set great store by what they see as "official" national representation; and they are clearly consoled this year by having both the Chairman and the Director of the British Film Institute as guests for the first time. It is significant that in its press reports Moscow stresses Sir Richard Attenborough's presence in his role as the BFI Chairman, rather than as the director of *Gandhi*, which is being shown *hors concours*.

This is not the only diplomatic coup for Moscow. For the first time in years there is an official United States delegation, led by Jack Valenti, President of the Motion Picture Association of America. The People's Republic of China is present, as they say officially, "after a considerable interval". The Philippines are participating for the first time.

Those of us who are not on Moscow's visiting list need not be too dispirited however. July offers a choice of alternative festivals – at Auckland, NZ, Edmonton (Canada), Giffone Valle Piana, Gijon, Odense, Oviedo, Philadelphia, Salerno, Santander, Taormina, Trieste and Wellington, NZ, not to speak of Hiroshima where there is a festival for shorts which manifest "effort towards peace and reverence for life". There may be others; these at least are listed in the new *International Film Festivals Directory 1983-4*, published by the British Film Institute and the British Council and obtainable from the BFI for £4.95.









In search of lions and leopards, eagles and griffons, the international film festival special rolls on and on, '48 months of the year'. **David Robinson** explains and explores

Hunting for a whole gilded bestiary

July is not by any means the busiest time. Festivals tend to cluster at the extremes of the tourist season, when resorts like Cannes, Biarritz, San Sebastian or Venice welcome the extra boost to the hotel trade. Altogether the *Directory* lists around two hundred festivals. Since their average length exceeds a week, on the most conservative estimate there are 48 months of festivals in any one year.

The self-appointed regulating body for film festivals, the International Film Producers' Association (FIAPF), recognizes only 37 of the festivals. "Recognition" depends on paying the Association's annual subscription – which exceeds the total income of many of the smaller events. In exchange FIAPF imposes its regulations (involving length and timing of the festival, qualifications of entries and so on) and organizes the calendar so that dates do not clash. In this it is not always successful: there has been a running battle for the best January dates between Manila and New Delhi, for instance.

FIAPF designates as its "A" festivals Cannes, Venice, Berlin and Manila. (The festival that alternates between Moscow and Karlovy Vary is apparently not affiliated to FIAPF, presumably because it is not able to conform to the regulations regarding selection.) The multiple functions of these "A" festivals are self-apparent. They are the major international showplaces, both as competition and market, for new film product; and invaluable meeting-places for film people of every kind – merchants, directors, writers, actors, critics, journalists. There is no more swift and effective means of launching a new film, name or talent than a successful showing in Cannes or Venice. If a little less dramatically than an Oscar, a Cannes prize can considerably enhance the price of a film or artist.

For film-makers prepared to set their sights a little lower, there are plenty of other prizes to be had, as the trophies on the walls of most producers' offices show. Three-quarters of the world's festivals award prizes, with a regular gilded bestiary on offer: the Venice Lion, the Berlin Bear, the Locarno Leopard, the Indian Elephant, the Giffone Griffon and Golden Squirrels at both Amsterdam and Cortina. India offers Peacocks; Manila, Eagles; and *Leipzig*, Doves. Film-makers can alternatively compete for Globes, Anchors, Wheatears, Shells, Roses and Golden Nymphs. The only prize dedicated to a human figure is the Charlie Chaplin Grand Prix of the Gabrovo Festival in Bulgaria. A Golden Cane is the appropriate award at the Festival of Comedy Films held in August in Chaplin's last home-town of Vevey.

It is reasonable to ask if prizes are not devalued by their sheer abundance. The cynical festival habitué may answer that few awards have ever rated much higher than the fairy on the Christmas tree. Even the great festival prizes are sometimes of questionable significance for the more knowing: too often they seem to be awarded not for merit but to effect neutral political compromises between irreconcilable factions of the jury. The honour-rolls of Cannes, Venice and Berlin are in consequence full of titles no one any more remembers: this year's winner of the Cannes Palme d'Or, *The Ballad of Narayama*, for instance, seems unlikely to be commemorated in the history books.

The value of festival prizes can be reckoned in terms of morale, prestige and commerce. Any prize must be a boost to the recipient's morale. Reward and applause are a thrill, even in the smallest pool. In terms of prestige, too, there is no question of the value of awards at the major festivals, as well as at a few of the best-established second-league events like Locarno, Taormina, San Sebastian, Chicago or such a festival as Mannheim, which exists to show and promote the work of new directors. A lot of the rest may look good on the shelf, but would hardly even justify the cost and trouble of announcing the honour in publicity for the recipient film. A prize at Venice, Locarno or Chicago might make a potential distibutor look at a new film with more curiosity, but it is unlikely to add a dollar to the advance he will offer.

Especially for impoverished independent film-makers, money prizes are a lot more attractive than all the glittery flora and fauna. The major money prize offered by a British festival is the Tyneside Award of £5,000 given at the Tyneside Festival in October, and substantial enough to launch an independent director on a new project.

While the great "A" festivals are primarily for the professionals, and the East European festivals have their own diplomatic purposes, other important festivals are clearly intended more for their local audiences. Events like London, Edinburgh, Montreal, Toronto, Sydney, Melbourne and Los Angeles define themselves as "festivals of festivals", picking up the best of the past year's selection from the major competitive events. A few, like Chicago, which as non-subscribers are not restricted by FIAPF regulations to the contrary, combine this sort of selective reprise with prizes. Inevitably each year produces a sort of touring rep of festival favourites, so that the programme booklets of Sydney, London, Chicago and Toronto have by and large a strong family likeness.

Many of the smaller festivals justify their survival by specialization. In this country Cambridge has an animation festival and Tyneside shows only independent films that are adjudged to attempt new directions in film-making.

To the uninitiated, the endless festival circuit from Delhi in January to Huesca (short films) in December may sound like fun. In fact it can be a punishing and frustrating trek for the journalist who is not selective enough about his festivals, and is faced with the problem of writing about films he has already reported from several festivals before, or others which his readers are never likely to see or want to see. This is why the critic of *The Daily Telegraph* still whimsically talks of organizing a restful fortnight for the London critics at a desirable resort which has no festival. The idea is that we should lie on the beach, co-ordinating our stories; and then send back stirring reviews of esoteric films of our own imagining to entertain our readers. It could be a lot more enjoyable for all parties than the real thing.

Television

A luckless tribe

BBC1 and Central Television spent an hour and three-quarters between them last night demolishing the romantic notion of the war correspondent as an inveterate seeker after truth even in the cannon's mouth. David Jessel's **Trumpets and Typewriters** (BBC1) – which might, in view of its content, have been called "Strumpets and Typewriters" – gave us a bare 15 minutes out of the foxhole before we were being addressed in **Frontline** (Central) on governmental and press mendacity by John Pilger, whose appearance and lugubrious mien always suggest to me that he has lately come from upbraiding Cromwell for being so cheerful.

There was an inevitable overlap in pictures and information. Both programmes paid tribute to William Howard Russell, whose Crimean dispatches in this paper (which made it to London rather quicker than dispatches would from the Falklands) earned him the title of "miserable scribbler" from Prince Albert and who, in relation to war correspondents, has been acknowledged, as both programmes averred, as "the miserable parent of a luckless tribe".

"Luckless tribe" indeed. There were few honourable mentions. Russell in "the last British war before censorship" (Pilger) came out shining, as did the CBS correspondent Morley Safer, whom President Johnson called a Communist, from Vietnam; and David Jessel paid a brief tribute to Keith Murdoch, later Sir Keith and the father of this newspaper's proprietor, for breaking ranks at Gallipoli and ensuring that his views of that mishap reached the Australian and British Governments. For the rest there was naught for professional comfort.

Mr Pilger's programme was inspired by Philip Knightley's book *The First Casualty* – casualty here being truth – and both gave it a good mention, though Mr Knightley was captured for the Central version.

It was the Somme, where 20,000 Britons died in a day, that damaged press credibility forever, said Mr Jessel. Small losses were reported but casualty lists gave the lie. In that war, correspondents did what they were told and Earl Haig gave a representative group Union Jacks at the end of it and told them they were gentlemen. That does not happen often to the press.

In this and the following war, the historian Dr Noble Frankland thought there was little the press could do about the bungling. Sir Tom Hopkinson, former editor of *Picture Post*, spoke of his view after Dunkirk: "I realized at that moment that my task as an editor was not to tell the British public the truth".

Cyril Ray, who reported for the *Manchester Guardian*, described how after Dunkirk British troops threw their rifles away and thought "the buggers will be here tomorrow". The press turned disaster into miracle in obeisance to the government view that the public would not have been able to take it.

It was a bad night for myths. The dambusters' raid was seen as futile as the Charge of the Light Brigade, and both programmes agreed that, in war, truth is suspended by agreement between government and press. Mr Pilger quoted the veteran American journalist I. G. Stone – "All governments are liars and nothing they say should be believed" – and asked if there was not something in it.

So much for a sad craft. Mr Jessel, in rather less time than Mr Pilger, shaded it, though in his script there was that echo of the philistine – standing afar off and thanking the lord that he is not like other men – which too often creeps into television retailing of the sins of the press.

Dennis Hackett

Theatre

The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists

Half Moon

Not only does the Half Moon have a new artistic director, it has a new exterior mural (of decorators, appropriately enough) and new seats facing each other down the two long sides, like the choir in a chapel. It has also been repainted, and part of it was done again on Monday night. That, of course, is the play.

Stephen Lowe's dramatization of Robert Tressell's Edwardian novel surrounds the audience with the philanthropists (in the sense that they heap up the decorator boss's profits) at work, arriving in the dawn twilight with lamps, mixing paints, pasting wallpaper, scampering up ladders slave-driven by the works foreman.

It has its own fascination and it is real, as well as compelling admiration for any actor willing to learn a trade to do a new production. The price paid, theatrically, is that the novel's picture of their families half-starving and the love in their marriages half-crushed by sixpence-halfpenny-an-hour economics has to be left out.

There are also the lectures so lengthily delivered in the book by the character of Owen, whose sharp way with capitalist systems is as characteristic of Tressell himself as his decorative skills and advancing tuberculosis. His demonstrations, with bread and pennies, of what happens to money and produce would have made a popular economics book to rival Veblen but sit stodgily uncooked in the middle of the novel. With Stephen Lowe's cutting or recasting, they make effective theatre in the hands of David Fielder's Owen, tensely underplayed in Toulouse-Lautrec spectacles and beard.

His other workmates, from old Philpot (Ken Morley) to the young cut-rate worker Easton (Bill Thomas), lovingly create their characters while sweating their guts out on the Half Moon's walls and take successive turns at impersonating Hunter's loping leer and bloodhound sniff for skivers or smokers at work.

That interchange is itself a major point – they also don humps and bellies for faithfully crude portrayal of the municipal council traders damned on appearance by names like Didlum and Grinder. The belief that selfishness stems from an unsocialist society is implied by the conclusion, just as faithful to the novel which originally ended with a vision of glory from the "risen sun of socialism". And their *a cappella* rendering of "Work, for the night is coming" carries the Tressell message that death, on their present terms, is hardly something to fear.

Anthony Masters

'50 years on'

Elgar, Holst and Delius, all of whom died in 1934, are to be commemorated by the Royal Philharmonic Society in a series of concerts entitled "50 years on" running throughout next year in the Festival Hall. Orchestras playing in the series include the Warsaw Philharmonic and Vienna Symphony.

The Gold Medal of the Society is to be presented to Herbert van Karajan during one of the two concerts he is to give with the Berlin Philharmonic in the Festival Hall on June 4 and 5, 1984.

Concert

Mitsuko Uchida

Bishopsgate Hall

Bach was a commanding point of departure for the first of the five daily lunchtime concerts being given this week by Mitsuko Uchida as part of the City of London Festival. The Japanese pianist, now based in London, is making Schubert a constant feature in each programme, the others in turn pairing him with Haydn, Beethoven, Bartok and Schoenberg. Monday's choice of works had a subtle balance of contrast between dynamic tension and relaxed intimacy.

For the A minor English Suite of Bach, the pianist adopted a Busoni-like approach to the opening Prelude and concluding Gigue, their weight, speed and sonority framing an altogether lighter character for the movements between. In neither of these outer movements was the contrapuntal texture given the crystalline clarity which can be so distinctive on a modern piano; rather was it woven into a controlled density on a larger and more assertive scale.

The other dance movements were attractively varied, the part-writing in the Allemande emerging as a fanciful interplay and the usually stately Sarabande becoming softer and more flexible in its phrasing. Miss Uchida adorned this and other movements with a modest degree of ornament, but in the two Bourrées her lively rhythmic impetus sometimes brought an imbalance between high and low registers.

Her left hand packed a hefty punch from the elbow, and this imparted a large-scale effect to the first of Schubert's Four Impromptus, D899, making it a melancholy march with an intensity comparable to the funeral march movement in Chopin. In the following E flat Impromptu the skimming brilliance of the piano's scale passages alternated with almost exclamatory punctuation to achieve sustained tension.

The remaining two pieces in this set were more relaxed, that in G flat having suitably romantic expression without becoming over-sentimental and the popular A flat Impromptu contrasting a life-asserting joyousness in its tumbling arpeggios with a dreamy wistfulness as the more lyrical moments emerged.

Noël Goodwin

MARKET REPORT ● by Michael Clark

Bid talk lifts Avon

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began, July 18. Dealings end, July 29. Contango Day, Aug 1. Settlement Day, Aug 8.

Is Lex Service, the distributor in Britain of Volvo cars, about to take over Avon Rubber, the troubled tyre manufacturer? The market last night considered that a cash and share alternative bid was on the way as shares of **Avon Rubber** bounced 4p to a new high of 135p.

At this level the group is valued at £8.9m and has assets of 226p a share. Its biggest shareholder is Mr James O'Hara with 13.56 per cent of the shares. This year the group reported interim pretax profits of £2.8m after several years of losses.

In contrast, Lex Service is valued at £223.5m. Yesterday the price dipped 2p to 338p before recovering after hours to close 5p up on the day at a new high of 345p.

Lex says the rumours are "absolute rubbish". "There is no truth in the rumour at all", its spokesman added. Interim figures from Lex are expected next week. Last year the group reported pretax profits up from £15.8m to £20m.

Meanwhile, the rest of the equity market continued to strengthen, with the *FT* Index drawing up just short of the important 700 level. It ended the day at its high 11.2 up at 699.7.

Leading shares were all marked higher, including **Associated Diaries** 6p to 146p, **BTR** 6p to 527p, **Blue Circle** 6p to 441p, **GKN** 5p to 168p, **Grand Metropolitan** 11p to 338p, **Hawker Siddeley** 10p to 314p and **London Brick** 4p to78½p. Renewed bid speculation was also good for Bowater up another 3p to 238p.

Beecham recieved acceptances totalling 92.3pc for its recent £197m rights issue. Brokers Wood Mackenzie and Cazenove placed the rump of 5 million shares with various institutions at about the 338p level. The shares closed 11p higher at 356p.

Demand for gilts also remained buoyant and the Government broker was able to announce the exhaustion of one of the two new mini taps, Treasury 11.5 per cent 2001-04, issued on Friday. But the rest of the market came in for a spot of idigestion and prices that had been as much as 50p higher closed virtually unchanged.

The posibility of a further period of stability in the oil price after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries talks in Helsinki heiped sentiment with oil shares sporting healthy gains. BP rose 4p to 396p, Shell 10p to 562p, Ultramar 5p to 629p, **Britoil** 2p to 208p and **Burmah** 3p to 157.

The stores sector also had a good day after the retail sales figures showing another high street spending boom. Harris Queensway responded with an 8p rise to 294p, **Boots** 4p to 287p, **British Home Stores** 4p to 207p and **Burton Group** ordinary a similar amount to 350p.

Third quarter figures from Telerate showed net income up from $3m to 5.8m, which is good news for Exco International which has a 48 per cent stake in the group. Exc. closed 20p higher at 598p.

On the bid front, Norton

More than 1 million shares in European Ferries changed hands yesterday as the price rose 4p to 83p. Speculation is mounting that an outside preditor may be waiting in the wings, following the death of former chairman Mr Keith Wickenden, to mop up the group's property interests. Names include Mr Jeffrey Sterling's Town & City. Last night Mr Sterling was in a board meeting and unavailable for comment.

Opax has only had acceptances totalling 3.5 per cent for its contested bid for John Waddington, the Monopoly games group. Norton was unchanged at 118p, while Waddington rose 4p to 218p. Mr Robert Maxwell's BPCC is favourite to win eventual control of Waddington.

Mr Michael Ashroft's Hawley Group has again stepped up its interest in Mr Eric Morley's Miss World with the purchase of an extra 415,000 shares taking its total holding to 21.27 per cent.

Yesterday, the price of Miss World added 2p to 133p – 73p above the original placing price. Hawley, which is now expected to increase its stake up the 29.9 per cent threshold, responded with a jump of 7p to 164p.

Also on the USM shares of Hartons Group, the plastics to property concern, rose 1p to 10.5p after learning Mr Michael Maimann, chairman, had bought an extra 866,000 shares taking his stake to 12.6 per cent.

Mr Maimann and Macanie Investments now own a total of 16.3m shares amounting to more than 60 per cent of the issued share capital.

House builder William Leech rose 10) to 68p after the news that Poco Properties had bought an additional 75,000, increasing its total holdings to 820,000 (which is 6.8 per cent of the equity).

RECENT ISSUES

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BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS

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MEDIUMS

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LONGS

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COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

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LOCAL AUTHORITIES

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DOLLAR STOCKS

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BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

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BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

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Dollar Spot Rates

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STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 699.7 up 11.2
FT Gilts: 80.32 unchanged
FT All Share: 441.11 up 4.48 (Datastream estimate)
Bargains: 21,101
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 95.34 up 0.62.
New York: Dow Jones Averge (latest) 1197.52 up 7.62
Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1088.38 up 16.87
Amsterdam: Index 142.7 up 2
Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 960.60 down 0.8
Sydney: AO Index 644.0 up 2
Brussels: General Index 128.34 down 0.27
Paris: C A C Index 125.0 down 1.2
Zurich: S K A Index 285.9 down 0.6
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 8866.66 down 18.41

CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE
Sterling $1.5185 down 20pts
Index 84.5 down 0.1
DM 3.94 down 0.01
FrF 11.84 down 0.025
Yen 365.75 down 0.50
Dollar
Index 126.2 down 0.1
DM 2.5940
NEW YORK LATEST
Sterling $1.5200
INTERNATIONAL
ECU £0.576273
SDR £0.697183

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Base rates 9½
Finance house base rate 10½
Discount market loans week fixed 9¼ - 9¾
3 month interbank 10¹⁄₁₆ - 9¹⁵⁄₁₆
Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar 10 - 10⅛
3 month DM 5¼ - 5⅛
3 month Fr F14⅛ - 14
US rates:
Bank prime rate 10.5
Fed funds 9⅝
ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period June 8 to July 5, 1983 Inclusive: 9.878 per cent.

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am $424.25; pm $423.75 close $423.50

New York: close $423.75
Kruggerand* (per coin): $436 - $437.50 (£287.50-£288.50)
Sovereigns* (new): $99.50-$100.50 (£65.50-£66.25
*excludes VAT.

TODAY

Interims: Bootham Engineers, Mount Charlotte Investments, London and Lomond Investment Trust, Union Discount Company of London, Weber Holdings.
Finals: Bespak, Centreway Industries, Centreway Trust, Crosby House Group, G M Firth, Hampson Industries, Marling Industries, Steinberg Group.
Economic statistics: Construction New Orders (May). Indices of basic rates of wages (June). Indices of average earnings (May). Industrial and commercial companies' capital account and net borrowing requirements (first quarter).

ANNUAL MEETINGS

Benlox Holdings, Hyatt Carlton Tower, Cadogan Place, SW1 (noom).
B. Elliott Group, Glaziers Hall, 9 Montagu Close, London Bridge SE1 (11.45).
English & International Trust, 117 Old Broad Street, EC2 (2.30).
Holt Lloyd International, Lloyds House, Alderley Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire (2.30).
International Paint, 9 Henrietta Place, W1 (noon).
MK Electric Group, Chartered Accountants Hall, Moorgate Place, EC2 (noon).
Milletts Leisure Shops, Abercorn Rooms, Liverpool Street EC2 (noon).
Sumrie Clothes, Berkeley Road, Harehills, Leeds (2.00).
Turnbull Scott Holdings, Ironmongers' Hall, Barbican, EC2 (noon).

NOTEBOOK

Eurotherm International, the makers of electronic furnace control equipment, have turned in disappointing half year figrues with profits down from £2.3m to £1.6m. Heavy investment has not been matched by better demand.
Birmid Qualcast, the lawn mowers and foundries group, pretax profits rose from £427,000 to £2.4m in the half year to the end of last April.

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US delegation takes tough line at IDA Tokyo meeting

World Bank fears Americans will leave loan fund short of cash

By Michael Prest

World Bank officials are increasingly worried that American reluctance to raise its contributions to the International Development Association, the bank's concessionary loan arm, will leave the IDA disasterously short of funds even though conditions in many of the poorest countries to whi the association lends are deteriorating.

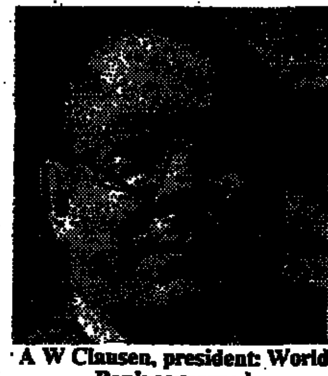
Deputies to IDA governors, from the 33 member countries, are meeting in Tokyo to debate the problem. The talks, which began and finish tomorrow, could be the last chance before the full gathering of the bank and the International Monetary Fund in September.

The United States Administration has suggested to Congress an appropriation of $750m annually for the three years from mid-1984, the seventh period of the association's existence and called IDA 7. Country members of the bank contribute pro rata to its resources, so this could mean nominal IDA funds falling from $12,000m for IDA 6 to $9,000m.

At a meeting in London this week, Mr Munir Benjenk, World Bank vice-president for external relations, said: "If that is the way it's going to come out at the end, the management of the bank would consider it a disaster."

The IDA believes that a minimum replenishment of $16,000m is needed, and had been pushing for $20,000m. But it appears that the American delegation at the Tokyo meeting has shown no sign of relenting.

The meeting is the fourth to be held on IDA 7 but is the first to tackle directly the central issue of the size of the replenishment. IDA officials argue that at least $16,000m is needed to accommodate inflation and because China is now a member



A W Clausen, president: World Bank concerned

But American officials have replied that India could be "graduated" from the IDA on the grounds that progress has been considerable. Although one of the poorest countries by per capita income, it can now raise money on the international markets. India's foreign commercial borrowings are low.

Part of the despondency about the final size of the IDA replenishment stems from the fact that the $750m a year is the amount the Administration has requested and Congress rarely votes more than the sum asked for.

But bank officials hope that the American position could be primarily a negotiating one, or that other countries will offer more than their normal pro rata share.

The United States share, based on relative size of gross national product, is 27 per cent. Last year a group of countries, led by Britain, put up extra funds when IDA 6 had to be extended by 12 months because the United States contribution fell short.

The IDA makes loans for 50 years without interest and charges only a service fee. Many of its most needy members in Africa have seen their economies contract over the past 10 years and the World Bank has given a warning that they will continue to shrink for much of the next decade.

But such arguments have failed to sway public opinion in the United States, where the aid lobby has consistently lost ground. It is possible that if the Tokyo meeting fails to agree on the size of IDA 7, diplomatic pressure will be brought to bear on the United States

Opec orders report on long-term pricing

From Jonathan Davis
Helsinki

Oil ministers from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries have reactivated plans to develop a long-term pricing strategy designed to eliminate sudden price shocks.

A committee under Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi Arabian oil minister, has been charged with producing an updated report on the feasibility of a long-term pricing strategy for Opec by the end of the year.

This was decided yesterday as Opec's 13 ministers ended a two-day meeting in Helsinki with a widely anticipated agreement to leave prices and production quotes unchanged until at least the autumn.

The ministers failed, however, to reach agreement on the apparently mundane issue of who should succeed as the organization's new secretary-general.

The secretary-general is responsible for organizing the meetings and running Opec's small secretariat based in Vienna. In itself the post is not particularly important, but the failure to find ah accceptabirе candidate for the job underipes the continuing political dissension among Opec's member countries.

Both Iran and Iraq put forward candidates for the job, but both were rejected and Opec is to have further consultations about finding a compromise candidate.

The outcome of the meeting is likely to prolong the newly-found but uneasy stablility in the oil market, for at least a few months.

Dr Mana Saeed Otaiba, oil minister of the United Arab Emirates, and Opec's new president, said that Opec would not decide on a new production

Otaiba: Production ceiling depends on demand

ceiling until demands for Opec oil exceeded the present ceiling of 17.5 million barrels a day.

Although none of the Opec ministers would say publicly when this is likely to happen, it is considered likely that another extraordinary meeting of Opec will be held in September or October.

A meeting of the oil producers market monetary committee will be held in Abu Dhabi on September 25, to review market trends.

Dr Otaiba said he expected demand for Opec oil to be between 17.5 and 19 million barrels a day in the last quarter of the year, depending on the reaction of oil compaines and oil consumers.

Echoing comments by Shaikh Yamani and other Opec moderates, Dr Otaiba said he expected the present Opec reference price of $29 a barrel to remain unchanged until 1985.

The idea of a long-term pricing strategy was first raised five years ago, but was rapidly overtaken by the turbulent market conditions which came after the Iranian revolution in 1979.

Disclosure rule for Lloyd's

By Our Financial Staff

Disclosure of interests in insurance companies owned by Lloyd's underwriting agents is to become compulsory from October 31.

Lloyd's of London is to introduce a by-law to force disclosures as one of the cornerstones of the insurance market's drive for adequate self-regulation, according to Mr Ian Hay Divison, the chief executive.

Lloyd's will aoso establish next March 31, a public register of the underwirting agents' interests to reveal any potential conflicts of interest.

The by-law is expected to be approved by Lloyd's council on October 24 and it will mean that underwriting agents will have to show in accounts given to syndicates the details of business with insurance companies where they have an interest to the Lloyd's members whom they represent.

Lloyd's has been trying to tighten its procedures for self-regulation in the light of the recommendations of the Fisher report published, three years ago, and in the wake of a series of scandals which have damaged the market's reputation, especially in the US.

An investigation into PCW Underwriting Agencies has been reopened at Lloyd's.

An earlier investigation into PCW, ordered by Sir Peter Green, the Lloyd's chairman, was closed before the Alexander Howden affair came to light.

Sir Peter's term as chairman of Lloyd's ends this year and the speculation is that he will not stand for another term.

The Lloyd's council established a committee yesterday to draft regulations and a committee with wide powers of investigation.

New ICI group aims at £500m sales

By John Lawless

Imperial Chemical Industries yesterday announced a new business group in speciality chemicals with annual sales of £150m, which are forecast to grow to £500m by the end of the decade.

The formation of ICI Speciality Chemicals – in all but a separate stock issue, a new company with its own board – identifies the approach that the "new ICI" is being asked to take since Mr John Harvey-Jones took over as chairman in April last year.

"Eighteen months ago, we would have been tempted to call it a new division," Dr Brian Smith, an ICI main board director, said.

However, the opportunities to set up in new sectors along traditional lines, with value being added to bulk commodities, have disappeared. "The ICI style has been changed," Dr Smith said and added: "The new group's remit is to go hunting."

Essentially, it will not unveil packaged end-products, but will use its considerable research and development resources to solve customer problems in a wide range of industries: from aircraft to toothpaste manufacturers.

By grouping existing interests in one of the fast-growing chemicals sectors, ICI has created one of the world's biggest speciality operations.

"We are already considerably bigger an many dedicated speciality chemicals firms," Mr Brian Killner, managing director, said.

The main units are being drawn from ICI Americas Inc, Atlas Chemicals in Europe and the UK, the speciality chemicals businesses of its UK Organics Division.

The emphasis will be put on developing more sales within the existing sales network. Two-thirds at present, in the US, with the rest mainly in Europe.

Work on the new group has been going on for more than a year. "And in that time we have had more takeovers than in the past 10 years," Dr Smith said.

"In the United States in particular, you have to be opportunistic. There is not a week that a offer does not come across my desk from there – and you have to give a week's notice that you are either in or out of the bidding."

The takeover of the dyestuffs and pigments operations of the French company PUK last year is a perfect example of what ICI will now be looking for: bulking its products range in that sector from 65 to 90 per cent of what is now on the market, adding French West African countries to its marketing network, and increasing annual turnover by 50 per cent to £300m in the process, to make it the fourth largest producer in the world.

City Editor's Comment

Free trade cry on the battlements

Sheer frustration was clearly the keynote of the conference on protectionism organized by the Trade Policy Research Centre last weekend in Kent. Behind closed doors, safely cocooned by the moat of Leeds Castle, a group of 43 high-ranking politicians, economists and businessmen from around the world said all the right things about the benefits of free trade and the need to translate the fine words of Williamsburg into action.

But on the other side of the drawbridge, thousands of pressure groups are still crying "save our jobs" as Mr Ken Durham, chairman of Unilever and the Research Centre admitted.

And outside the conference, several of the delegates were themselves in the process of discussing new quotas, stitching up bilateral deals or explaining that they could do nothing about the latest impositions on trade.

Mr Durham, in his post-conference statement, got to the heart of the matter. "Working through sectoral ministries, those of agriculture and industry, and even ministries of trade, sectional interests are effectively organized to block the liberalization that is in the interests of the economy as a whole".

Yet at the very moment Mr Durham was conclu ding his statement, Mr William Brock, the US special trade representative, who had attended the conference with Mr Paul Channon, Britain's trade minister, was starting a meeting with Mr Channon's boss, Mr Cecil Parkinson. Subjects included the latest US controls on steel imports, the US Export Administration Act, unitary taxation and various other areas of British anger.

Mr Brock acknowledges the damage, but can only point at Congress, the US Supreme Court *et al*.

Mr Durham's hopeful solution is for ministries of finance and foreign affairs, which have a more general interest in the benefits of free trade and the free world friction caused by protection and its euphemisms, to take a larger role for the general good. Yet it was the heads of government who agreed at Williamsburg to halt new protection and their declaration has so far served only to undermine their own credibility.

Questions for TKM

Yesterday was also exquisitely frustrating for fans of shareholder democracy. The first line of Sir Mongague Prichard's annual chairman's review for Tozer Kemsley & Millbourn reads: "the year 1982 was disastrous for shareholder's question at the annual meeting with the thoughts that the meeting was not the place to discuss TKM's problems, which include a £6m loss, extraordinary charges of £20m and no dividend.

Life is invidious for a new chairman facing shareholders critical of actions for which he disclaims responsibility. But the question remains: where else is the ordinary shareholder to receive straight answers?

Sir Montague admist his salary of £50,000, less than his predecessor, was agreed by the comapny's ceditor banks. Do not shareholders have a right to know the arrangements agreed with those banks over TKM's £100m of debt?

And there is some justification for shareholder anger at a new share option scheme that allows directors to buy shares, any time over the next three years at a price fixed today. The present depressed price of 33p, a shareholder pointed out, was due to actions of directors in the first place.

Sir Montague defends this incentive for the directors to produce results that will push all members' shares higher. Let us hope they succeed.

Hardy HAT in rights surprise

By Wayne Lintott

HAT Group
Year to 28.2.83.
Pretax profit, £8.2m (£6.m).
Stated earnings, 8.6p (6.9p).
Turnover, £145.5m (£94.1m).
Net final dividend, 1.5p.
Share price, 133p.
Dividend payable, 9.9.83.

HAT Group, the industrial painters and building materials supplier, matched the best of the City's profit forecasts but surprised the market with its second rights issue in three years.

The company announced a 36 per cent rise in pretax profits to £8.2m for the year ended February and a one-for-five underwritten rights issue at 120p a share.

Turnover climbed to £145.5m from £94.1m a year ago. A good indication of the need for £14.7m cash being raised was the unusual turnaround in the company's cash holdings. The year before last it had interest credits of £500.000 which had changed to a £600,000 debit last year.

MFI profits rise by 112 per cent

By Jonathan Clare

MFI Furniture Group
Year to 28.5.83
Pretax profit, £30.4m (£14.3m).
Stated earnings, 9.58p (5.74p).
Turnover, £246.3m (£176.1m).
Net total dividend, 3.7p (2.8p).
Share price 146p, up 2p Yield 3.0%.
Dividend payable 3.10.83.

There are few signs of recession in the 121 MFI Furniture Group shops and the company is almost certainly heading for another record year following more than doubled profits for 1982-83.

Profits increased by 112 per cent from £14.3m to £30.4m on a turnover up by 40 per cent to £246.3m with volume sales up by almost as much.

MFI is making a venture outside its established product range by selling foreign made electric and gas cookers through its showrooms under the Hygena brand name. Mr John O'Connell, one of the directors said: "We sell hundreds of thousands of black holes in our kitchen furniture and it expects sales of appliances to take off quickly. Moves into other areas like lighting are also on the cards.

Last year, the number of stores increased from 120 to 121 but this masks four new branches, seven relocations, eight extensions and three closures to give an increase in sales area of 370,000 sq ft to 3m sq ft. Six stores are expected to open this year.

Margins last year averaged 12.3 per cent against 8.1 per cent with a strong rise in the second half. Margins are expected to continue at least at this level for the present year. Profits for 1981-82 have been restated from £15.5m because of a first time depereciation of freehold property.

MFI is also trying to broaden its appeal with new ranges but says that it will not abandon its down-market roots.

Advertising spending was down last year from about 5 per cent of turnover to 4.25 per cent with a further fall likely this year.

WALL STREET

Shares up as volume improves

New York (AP-Dow Jones) – Wall Street was firm in moderate trading yesterday as the early Dow Jones industrial average rose about nine points to 1198. Gains outnumbered declines by 860 to 500.

Mr Alfred Harris, research director at Stifel Nicolaus said: "Today's market reflects a bit of clearing of the air with the Fed". This involved concern about higher interest rates which, he said, probably would not rise much further.

He also noted that the improvement in bonds was carrying over into stocks and volume was somewhat better than Monday.

Mr Harris expected the market to remain around its present level for "quite some period of time". He said that while the economy had picked up much of this had been discounted by the market.

Lockheed was trading at 114 1/4 up 3, **General Dynamics** was 52 up 1, **Boeing** was 44 up 1/4, **McDonnell Douglas** was 55 up 1/4 and **United Technologies** was down 1/4 to 69. **United Brands** was up 7/8 to 23 1/2.

Technology issues showing gains included **IBM** 121 1/8 up 1 1/2, **Honeywell** 116 3/4 up 2 1/4, **NCR** 16 3/8 up 2 7/8, **Data General** 64 3/4 up 4 and **Digital Equipment** 114 5/8 up 1 5/8.

Underwriting boost for Hogg Robinson

A strong recovery from the Lloyd's underwriting agencies gave a substantial boost to Hogg Robinson's profits last year, but the insurance broker has again made a big provision against bad debts.

Group profits increased from £8.5m to £10.6m on a turnover of £64.4m despite a fall in the first half. The underwriting agencies, which must be divested in four years under Lloyd's new rules, increased their contribution from £1.7m to £3.2m while the mainstay broking business increased its profits by more than £1m to £7.2m.

But a £1m provision against bad debts has been made for the second year running because of international political and ecomomic uncertainty. Only £250.000 has been written off as irrecoverable and Mr Christopher Price, the managing director, hopes further provisions will be unnecessary.

The improvement in profits has come largely from currency gains and investment income though there are some signs of recovery in particular markets.

The travel business – Hogg is the second largest travel agent in the United Kingdom – has slipped from profits of £1.7m to £1.2m but Mr Price says this is a result of changed booking patterns and late busines is coming through.

IN BRIEF

● **HOTEL SALE:** Lonrho's Princess Properties International subsidiary has sold the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco to hotel interests in California for $25m (£16.4m).

Restrictive practices case may be dropped

Call for changes in SE share rules

By Philip Robinson

The Stock Exchange is being given a chance to avoid putting its rule book through the Restrictive Practices Court. Mrs Thatcher said yesterday that court action could be avoided if the exchange came up wth acceptable alternative rule changes. The case is due to start in five months.

Under the Restrictive Practices Act of 1976, the Office of Fair Trading decided that parts of the rule book represented a restrictive practice.

For seven years, Sir Nicholas Goodison, Stock Exchange chairman, argued before successive trade secretaries that the Restrictive Practices Court was not the place to examine its rule book.

He said he would welcome any other body looking into the way the stock market is governed and suggested either a Commission or the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

This year, the Government began to listen. Lord Cockfield, the Trade Secretary, let Sir Nicholas know that the Government would listen sympathetically to proposed changes in the rule book.

By that time, costs on both sides had mounted to about £1.5m and the deadline for verbal evidence was nine months away.

The change of heart has puzzled senior Stock Exchange officials. The referral to the court was made under a Labour administration. The exchange hoped that the 1979 Conservative Government would reverse the decision but it did not, and held the line.

Stock Exchange sources said last night that behind the change of heart lies a desire to maintain the status que while the Government presses ahead with plans to privatize large sections of the public sector, the most notable being British Telecom, whose 51 per cent public offering could raise £5bn.

The Government may be anxious to avoid any disruption of the market at the moment. If successful, the main thrust of the OFT case would mean scrapping the agreed minimum commission structure, replacing it with negotiated commissions.

It would also mean that the present single capacity, where a broker is allowed to act only as an agent and a stockbroker only as a principal, would be abandoned.

The effect would mean that inefficient brokers could go out of business and efficient ones would emerge after a scramble with a larger share of the market.

The effect of removing single capacity would raise the question of the need for a physical market. Shares could be bought and sold in brokers' and jobbers' offices with both acting as agents and principals.

That would also allow in the American investment bankers and brokerage houses and the British merchant banks, all of which have to buy and sell shares through the brokers and jobbers system at present.

When similar dramatic changes happened in America, which now operates both a single capacity and a negotiated commission system, share markets and firms were in turmoil for the first year. It is a point that would not be lost on the Treasury.

APPOINTMENTS

Amex vice president is named

American Express Europe: Mr John Duncan has been made vice president, public affairs and communications, Europe, Middle East and Africa.

Brixton Estate: Mr H. G. Ashton and Sir Michael Beetham have joined the board. Mr M. J. Verey and Sir John Grandy have retired as directors.

Illingworth, Morris: Mr Maurice Grass has become an executive director.

Associated Leisure: Mr B. B. Wood has been named as financial director in succession to Mr R. H. Elworthy who is to retire as financial director but will remain on the board.

Montagu Investment Management: Mr Jeffrey C. Attfield has joined the board.

The Wind Development Board: Mr Don Lovell has become chairman in succession to Sir Guy Fison, who is the new master of the Vintners' Company. Sir Guy remains a director of the Wine Development Board. Other newly appointed directors are: Mr R. D. Kinahan (John McKibben & Sons); Mr Frederick Stimpson (Euroscot Wine Agencies); and Mr David Butler-Adams (Chennel and Armstrong).

National Magazine Company: Mr David Sheilds has been promoted from marketing services to group marketing director.

Brazil finally agrees to take IMF medicine

From Patrick Knight, São Paulo

Brazil's announcement at the end of last week that wages will rise by only 8 per cent for the next two years and that interest rates will be reduced has reassured the world banking community that the country has finally accepted that there is no alternative to the International Monetary Fund's austerity measures.

Although there is no consensus that the measures will solve he country's problems, one immediate result has been the statement by Señhor Ernane Galveas, Brazil's finance minister, that the country's growth rate will be zero this year.

But the IMF and the government have different ways of defining things and it is gererally accepted in Brazil that there will now be a decline of some 4 per cent in the country's products. This comes after decline in two of the past three years and means that, by the middle of next year, the average Brazilian's income will have shrunk by about 15 per cent in four years.

The anticipated cuts will not affect the economy equally but will hit the industrialized triangle formed by Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro and Belohorizonte where more than 80 per cent of Brazil's industrial capacity is concentrated.

Regions such as the Northeast, badly affected by drought and the Amazon, site of dozens of government-sponsored development projects will continue to grow.

The São Paulo Industry Federation said that 400,000 industrial workers have lost their jobs in the region in the past two years, reducing the total to 1.6 million, exactly the same number as 10 years ago.

Last month, 15,000 were sacked and there have been 90,000 sackings so far this year.

Brazil's industry will be affected in different ways by the measures. Some companies have done well in the past three years as the less well paid, after years of lagging behind, were given wage rises above inflation.

Demand for food, clothing, building materials and lower value consumer goods increased fast.

Towards the end of last year, one supermarkket chain was opening tow stores a week in the working class suburbs of São Paulo. Labour is not the main cost for most of Brazil's industry and except for very labour-intensive industry, average costs of about $2 (£1.30) an hour including social security costs compare with 10 times those in Europe and Japan.

Inddustries such as the motor, consumer durables and textiles, are more concerned at reductions in their markets as a result of the new measures than by benefits from reduced labour costs, which rarely form more than 20 per cent of their total costs.

The measures have been taken primarily to reduce the inflationary effects caused by the booming public sector. In contrast to São Paulo industry, it has taken on 500,000 workers in the past 18 months.

Lasmo seeking an additional £20m

By Jeremy Warner

London and Scottish Marine Oil, which last March raised £43m through a one-for-three rights issue, is returning to the stock market for an additional £20m to be raised by an offer by tender of 20 million cumulative redeemable preference shares.

The oil company hinted at the time of the cash call on shareholders that £43m would not be enough and that it might return for more long term finance.

The rights, launched at 185p pre share, were given away at a time when the outlook for oil companies could hardly have been worse. But since than the market price of Lasom shares has Forged ahead in a way which would have allowed the company to more than £60m if it had launched a one-for-three rights issue today.

The new preference shares, which will be redeemed in 1966, will carry a coupon of 9⅝ per cent net at the minimum tender price of 100p.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● **Drake & Scull:** Record half-time results, together with a forecast that the total dividend for 1982-83 will be at least maintained at 3.25p net are reported by Drake & Scull Holdings, mechanical and electrical engineers. On turnover up from £54.08m to £68.41m, pretax profits rose from £1.93m to £2.08m in the six months to April 30 last. The interim dividend is unchanged at 1.25p net a share.

● **Vinten Group:** The turnover figure of £19.32m for the year to March 31, published this week by Vinten Group in its preliminary announcement, was incorrect. Actual turnover for the year was £17.74m. This is a 40 per cent increase over the 1982 figure and 75 per cent of turnover was directly exported.

Allied Colloids Group
Year to 2.4.83.
Pretax profit, £12.18m (£9.46m).
Stated earnings, 15.36p (10.84p).
Turnover, £62.48m (£56m).
Net dividend, 3.05p (2.59p, adjusted).

Siebe Gorman Holdings
Year to 3.4.83.
Pretax profit, £6.18m (£4.03m).
Stated earnings, 28.6p (23.8p).
Turnover, £86.9m (£53.24m).
Net dividend, 8.5p (7.74p).

Multitone Electronics
Year to 31.3.83.
Pretax profit, £1.3m (£1.74m).
Stated earnings, 8.4p (12.6p).
Turnover, £17.66m (£16.54m).
Net dividend, 2.52p (1.875p).

Brunning Group
Year to 31.3.83.
Pretax profit, £624,000 (£203,000).
Stated earnings, 11.9p (4.4p).
Turnover, £43.67m (£43.11m).
Net dividend, 4.72p (4.37p).

Crescent Japan Investment Trust
Half-year to 30.6.83.
Pretax profit, £123,000 (£132,000).
Stated earnings, 1.04p (0.94p).
Net interim dividend, nil (nil).

F. Pratt Engineering Corpn.
Half-year to 30.4.83.
Pretax loss, £47,000 (loss, £873,000).
Turnover, £3.61m (£7.28m).
Net interim dividend, nil (nil).

Anglovaal Group

Mining companies' reports – Quarter ended 30 June 1983

All companies mentioned are incorporated in the Republic of South Africa.
All financial figures are unaudited.
Rate of exchange on 30 June 1983, R1,00 = £0,60 £1,00 = R1,68.
Development results given are the actual sampling results. No allowance has been made for adjustments necessary in the valuation of the corresponding ore reserves.
Shareholders requiring copies of these reports regularly each quarter, should write to the Secretaries, Anglo-Transvaal Trustees Limited, 295 Regent Street, London W1R 8ST.

Hartebeestfontein Gold Mining Co Ltd

Issued capital: 11 200 000 shares of R1 each

Operating results	Quarter ended 30 June 1983	Quarter ended 31 March 1983	Financial year ended 30 June 1983
Gold			
Ore milled ... t	767 000	766 000	3 019 000
Gold recovered ... kg	7 484,78	7 506,80	29 898,34
Yield ... g/t	9,8	9,8	9,9
Revenue ... R/t milled	149,96	156,87	151,85
Costs ... R/t milled	69,20	66 73	66,22
Profit ... R/t milled	80,76	90,14	85,63
Revenue ... R000	115 017	120 164	458 440
Costs ... R000	53 073	51 116	199 924
Profit ... R000	61 944	69 048	258 516
Uranium oxide			
Pulp treated ...	767 000	766 000	3 019 000
Oxide produced ... kg	109 259	106 318	431 943
Yield ... kg/t	0,14	0,14	0,14
Financial results	R000	R000	R000
Working profit – gold mining ...	61 944	69 048	258 516
Profit from sales of uranium oxide, pyrite and sulphuric acid ...	6 577	7 343	19 632
Non-mining income ...	6 583	2 820	17 862
	75 104	79 211	296 010
Interest paid, stores adjustment and service benefits ...	415	366	1 461
Net royalty payments ...	912	2 322	6 583
Profit before taxation and State's share of profit ...	73 777	76 523	287 966
Taxation and State's share of profit	34 219	38 317	143 300
Profit after taxation and State's share of profit ...	39 558	38 206	144 666
Capital expenditure ...	14 951	15 600	56 248
Loan repayments ...	257	796	3 192
Dividends ...	51 520	—	85 120
	66 728	16 396	144 560
State loan levy refund	2 309	—	2 309
	64 419	16 396	142 251
Development			
Advanced ... m	12 030	11 456	47 721
Sampling results on Vaal Reef:			
Sampled ... m	1 830	1 726	7 582
Channel width ... cm	54	59	57
Channel value – gold ... g/t	25,7	21,9	22,2
... cm.g/t	1 398	1 294	1 279
– uranium oxide ... kg/t	0,47	0,35	0,40
... cm.kg/t	25,66	20,97	22,72

Ore reserve

The total ore reserve at 30 June 1983, based on a gold price of R15 800 per kilogram, is estimated as follows:

Tonnage ... t	19 940 000
Stoping width ... cm	113
Value – gold ... g/t	12,0
... cm.g/t	1 353
– uranium oxide ... kg/t	0,22
... cm.kg/t	25,06

Financial

In terms of the Company's articles of association, the directors' borrowing powers are limited to R50 000 000. At 30 June 1983 borrowings totalled R18 761 000 (1982: R22 072 000) of which long-term borrowings amounted to R15 569 000 (1982: R18 913 000) and short-term to R3 192 000 (1982: R3 159 000).

Dividend

Final dividend No. 55 of 460 cents per share was declared in June 1983, making a total of 760 cents per share for the financial year.

Capital expenditure

Outstanding commitments at 30 June 1983 are estimated at R29 795 000 (31 March 1983: R39 722 000).

Prieska Copper Mines (Pty) Ltd

Issued capital: 54 000 000 shares of 50 cents each

Operating results	Quarter ended 30 June 1983	Quarter ended 31 March 1983	Financial year ended 30 June 1983
Ore milled ... t	789 000	715 000	2 856 000
Concentrates produced			
Copper ... t	25 013	21 635	94 774
Zinc ... t	45 031	39 183	158 514
Concentrates despatched			
Copper ... t	26 815	10 853	89 054
Zinc ... t	46 295	24 618	143 245
Financial results	R000	R000	R000
Operating profit ...	2 917	1 318	9 694
Non-mining income ...	409	446	1 573
	3 326	1 764	11 267
Interest paid ...	(33)	162	396
Net profit ...	3 359	1 602	10 871
Loan repayments ...	4 628	—	4 628
Capital expenditure ...	64	(38)	655
	4 692	(38)	5 283
Development			
Advanced ... m	3 749	4 158	18 391

Prieska Copper Mines (Proprietary) Limited *(continued)*

Financial

Despatches, which vary from quarter to quarter, are brought to account at their estimated receivable value. Operating profit takes into account adjustments following final price determinations on despatches made during previous quarters.

Loan repayments

During the quarter the Company redeemed the balance of the outstanding 6% Notes.

Taxation

No taxation was payable as the Company has an assessed loss.

Capital expenditure

There were no outstanding commitments at 30 June 1983.

Loraine Gold Mines, Ltd

Issued capital: 16 366 986 shares of R1 each

Operating results	Quarter ended 30 June 1983	Quarter ended 31 March 1983	Nine months ended 30 June 1983
Gold			
Ore milled ... t	400 000	403 000	1 204 000
Gold recovered ... kg	2 177,77	2 077,43	6 260,25
Yield ... g/t	5,4	5,2	5,2
Revenue ... R/t milled	81,59	78,87	78,48
Costs ... R/t milled	74,18	69,09	70,16
Profit ... R/t milled	7,41	9,78	8,32
Revenue ... R000	32 635	31 785	94 485
Costs ... R000	29 671	27 842	84 468
Profit ... R000	2 964	3 943	10 017
Financial results	R000	R000	R000
Working profit – gold mining ...	2,964	3 943	10 017
Profit from sales of pyrite and treatment of stockpiled calcines ...	504	645	1 490
Non-mining income ...	719	375	2 282
State assistance ...	—	792	792
	4 187	5 755	14 581
Interest paid ...	638	611	1 854
Tributing royalty payable ...	82	10	92
Profit ...	3 467	5 134	12 635
Capital expenditure ...	5 395	4 899	14 784
Loans received and adjusted for currency fluctuations ...	—	8	383
	5 395	4 891	14 401
Loan repayments ...	240	51	526
	5 635	4 942	14 927
Development			
Advanced ... m	8 780	8 663	25 917
Sampling results:			
"B" and "A" reefs			
Sampled ... m	264	344	710
Channel width ... cm	74	67	65
Channel value ... g/t	14,3	16,3	19,4
... cm.g/t	1 058	1 084	1 271
Basal reef			
Sampled ... m	437	440	1 412
Channel width ... cm	10	8	9
Channel value ... g/t	77,1	134,4	88,8
... cm.g/t	763	1 102	790
Elsburg reefs			
Sampled ... m	954	906	2 510
Channel width ... cm	86	80	85
Channel value ... g/t	8,3	9,0	9,2
... cm.g/t	708	723	785
Total – all reefs			
Sampled ... m	1 655	1 690	4 632
Channel width ... cm	64	59	59
Channel value ... g/t	12,2	15,3	14,6
... cm.g/t	778	895	861

Financial

In terms of the Company's articles of association, the directors' borrowing powers are limited to R35 000 000. At 30 June 1983 borrowings totalled R17 224 000 (1982: R14 605 000) of which long-term borrowings amounted to R14 927 000 (1982: R13 966 000) and short-term to R2,297 000 (1982: R639 000).

Taxation

No taxation or State's share of profit was payable as the Company has assessed losses.

Capital expenditure

Outstanding commitments at 30 June 1983 are estimated at R7 344 000 (31 March 1983: R8 468 000).

Shaft sinking

No. 1C sub-vertical shaft was sunk 40,5 metres to its final depth of 534,0 metres below 52 level and concrete-lined to a depth of 533,0 metres. Preparations for equipping the shaft are in hand.

Eastern Transvaal Consolidated Mines, Ltd

Issued capital: 4 316 678 shares of 50 cents each

Operating results	Quarter ended 30 June 1983	Quarter ended 31 March 1983	Financial year ended 30 June 1983
Gold			
Ore milled ... t	74 400	69 400	292 400
Gold recovered ... kg	684,00	562,14	2 492,26
Yield ... g/t	9,2	8,1	8,5
Revenue ... R/t milled	131,14	130,56	129,07
Costs ... R/t milled	64,56	63,67	59,96
Profit ... R/t milled	66,58	66,89	69,11
Revenue ... R000	9 757	9 061	37 741
Costs ... R000	4 803	4 419	17 533
Profit ... R000	4 954	4 642	20 208
Financial results	R000	R000	R000
Working profit – gold mining ...	4 954	4 642	20 208
Non-mining income ...	(69)	460	744
	4 885	5 102	20 952
Prospecting expenditure and stores adjustment ...	1 367	827	3 020
	3 518	4 275	17 932
Taxation ...	(2 354)	(1 275)	96
Profit after taxation ...	5 872	5 550	17 836
Capital expenditure ...	6 511	4 223	14 711
Dividends ...	1 942	—	3 669
	8 453	4 223	18 380
State loan levy refund	83	—	83
	8 370	4 223	18 297
Development			
Advanced ... m	1 929	1 808	7 919
Sampling results:			
Sampled ... m	1 086	1 232	4 904
Channel width ... cm	199	185	198
Channel value ... g/t	5,83	8,32	9,48
... cm.g/t	1 162	1 538	1 881

Ore reserves

The total ore reserves at all mines at 30 June 1983, based on a gold price of R15 800 per kilogram, are estimated as follows:

Tonnage ... t	1 526 200
Stoping width ... cm	182
Value ... g/t	16,8
... cm.g/t	3 047

Dividend

Final dividend No. 66 of 45 cents per share was declared in June 1983, making a total of 85 cents per share for the financial year.

Capital expenditure

Outstanding commitments at 30 June 1983 are estimated at R3 715 000 (31 March 1983: R3 619 000).

Consolidated Murchison Ltd

Issued capital: 4 160 000 shares of 10 cents each

Financial results	Quarter ended 30 June 1983 R000	Quarter ended 31 March 1983 R000	Six months ended 30 June 1983 R000
Sales of antimony concentrates less realisation charges ...	4 590	3 551	8 141
Gold sales ...	1 489	1 639	3 128
Sundry mining income ...	53	10	63
	6 132	5 200	11 332
Working costs ...	4 110	4 093	8 203
Working profit ...	2 022	1 107	3 129
Non-mining income ...	158	75	233
	2 180	1 182	3 362
Prospecting expenditure and interest paid ...	185	91	276
Profit before taxation ...	1 995	1 091	3 086
Taxation ...	451	97	548
Profit after taxation ...	1 544	994	2 538
Capital expenditure ...	602	161	763
Dividend ...	832	—	832
	1,434	161	1 595

Financial

The revenue from the sale of antimony concentrates brought into account each quarter is based on actual shipments made, which can vary considerably from quarter to quarter.

Dividend

Interim dividend No. 71 of 20 cents per share was declared in June 1983.

Capital expenditure

Outstanding commitments at 30 June 1983 are estimated at R28 000 (31 March 1983: R71 000).

These reports have been approved by the directors of the respective companies and in each case have been signed on their behalf by two of the directors.

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AMF Inc	[illegible]	16
AMR	[illegible]	[illegible]
Allied Chem	[illegible]	50
Allied Stores	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Alcoa	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amax Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amerada Hess	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Brands	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Broadcast	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Can	[illegible]	41
Am Cyanamid	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Elec Power	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Home	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Motors	9	[illegible]
Am Nat Res	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Standard	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Telephone	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Asarco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ashland Oil	[illegible]	33
Atlantic Richfield	[illegible]	[illegible]
Avco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Avon Products	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Borg Warner	45	[illegible]
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Campbell Soup	[illegible]	[illegible]
Canadian Pacific	[illegible]	37
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Celanese	[illegible]	[illegible]
Central Soya	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chase Manhat	52	52
Chem Bank NY	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chrysler	[illegible]	[illegible]
Citicorp	36	[illegible]
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Coca Cola	48	[illegible]
Colgate	[illegible]	[illegible]
CBS	[illegible]	66
Columbia Gas	[illegible]	[illegible]
Combustion Eng	[illegible]	38
Comwlth Edison	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Edison	[illegible]	33
Cons Foods	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Power	[illegible]	19
Continental Grp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Control Data	[illegible]	[illegible]
Corning Glass	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Crane	33	33
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Crown Zeller	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dart & Kraft	64	[illegible]
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Fed Dept Stores	[illegible]	[illegible]
Firestone	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fst Chicago	[illegible]	26

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Fst Penn Corp	7	[illegible]
Ford	[illegible]	[illegible]
GAF Corp	[illegible]	15
GTE Corp	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Dynamics	51	[illegible]
Gen Electric	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Foods	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Mills	[illegible]	53
Gen Motors	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Pub Util NY	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gen Tire	[illegible]	[illegible]
Genesco	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Lockheed	[illegible]	111
Lucky Stores	23	[illegible]
Manuf Hanover	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Wells Fargo	[illegible]	[illegible]
Westinghse Elec	45	[illegible]
Weyerhauser	36	37
Whirlpool	[illegible]	[illegible]
Woolworth	[illegible]	[illegible]
Xerox Corp	46	[illegible]
Zenith	[illegible]	[illegible]
Canadian Prices		
Abitibi	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alcan Alumin	[illegible]	[illegible]
Algoma Steel	37	[illegible]
Bell Telephone	26	26
Cominco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cons Bathurst	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gulf Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hawker/Sid Can	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hudson Bay Mng	[illegible]	[illegible]
Imasco	[illegible]	[illegible]
Imperial Oil	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Royal Trustco	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Steel Co	[illegible]	[illegible]
Thomson N 'A'	[illegible]	[illegible]
Walker Hiram	[illegible]	[illegible]
WCT	14	[illegible]

*Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	9½%
Barclays	9½%
BCCI	9½%
Consolidated Crds	9½%
C. Hoare & Co	*9½%
Lloyds Bank	9½%
Midland Bank	9½%
Nat Westminster	9½%
TSB	9½%
Williams & Glyn's	9½%

* 7 day deposits on sums of under £10,000, 6%; £10,000 up to £50,000, 7%; £50,000 and over, 8%.



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Eurotherm gets its sums wrong

) International
..o 30.4.83
..fit £1.65m (£2.25m)
..nings 3.76p (4.84p)
..18.8m (£17.1m)
..l dividend 1p (1p)
..e 298p, down 22p

..erm International as- ..torically that there is ..amental business prob- ..lind yesterday's disap- .. half-year results ..the investment pro- ..seeming to run out of ..earnings.

.., the electronic control ..nt company appears to ..t horribly wrong its ..about when the econ- ..ld turn up. Six months ..as ready to underline its ..stock image with a ..estment programme in ..areas like computer- ..sign. Even with no big ..ments in the economy ..ht to have increased by ..20 per cent against ..'s 10 per cent. The ..nt in staff, new prod- .. new companies started ..has not been matched ..eased demand. Quite ..m increased expendi- ..established companies, ..m pumped more than ..) into new businesses in

..good news is that ..rs are not being lost, ..just buying less. In this ..x months the top ten ..rs took 85 per cent of ..ey bought in the same ..of last year. Orders are ..out 50 per cent ahead of ..go.

..ever, the real improve- ..terms of profits will not ..hrough until next year ..tie benefit in the current ..half. Agaist that, there is ..4m in the bank from last year, a rights issue, which has cut interest charges substantially even though long term debt totals £2.7m.

The company is still talking to various parties about acquisitions, probably in America, but with little optimism about an early deal.

Second half profits should exceed the £2.3m made in last year's second half. Yesterday's figures and the company's thoughts about the second half make nonsense of brokers' forecasts which had ranged as high as £9m for the current year.

UK £ BASED INVESTOR	US$	£	DM	YEN	SwFr	FFr	DFl	C$
Percentage rise over 12 months								
Return on open cash	3.1	10.5	6.6	8.3	6.1	10.5	6.0	4.5
Return on open bonds £ adj	0.5	12.3	9.4	11.9	7.4	8.9	8.3	7.7
Return on hedged bonds	7.6	12.3	13.3	14.1	11.8	6.7	12.6	13.5

US $ BASED INVESTOR	US$	£	DM	YEN	SwFr	FFr	DFl	C$
Percentage rise over 12 months								
Return on open cash	10.6	18.5	14.3	16.1	13.8	18.5	13.7	12.0
Return on open bonds $ adj	7.8	20.4	17.3	20.0	15.2	16.8	16.1	15.4
Return on hedged bonds	7.8	12.5	18.5	14.3	12.0	8.9	12.8	13.7

Source: Laurie, Milbank 'Currency & Bond Market Strategy

Laurie, Milbank

Research has become an increasingly important part of the sevice offered by London stockbrokers, while commissions remain fixed, to entice big clients – unless, of course, they are believers in the random walk statistical theory.

Laurie, Milbank, perhaps best known for its position in the gilts market, has taken a fresh look at what the international investor might want.

The idea is summarized in the table. What matters to the investor is not just how the instrument – cash, bonds, hedged bonded, and gold are covered in the new monthly review – but the currency.

This extract from a larger matrix which is the heart of the exercise demonstrates clearly how the Britsh-based sterling investor would receive the highest return on yen-hedged bonds, while the US-based dollar investor would do best in gilts.

But underpinning these calculations is the argument that most western economies and Japan have reached the bottom of the interest rate and inflation cycle. The increase over the last 10 months or so in monetary growth – perhaps up by 10 per cent or so in monetary growth – perhaps up by 10 per cent in real terms – accompanied by rising government deficits in some countries and a likely acceleration of the velocity of circulation at this stage in the revovery all indicate an upsurge in inflation next year.

The somewhat gloomy conclusion, therefore, is that real interest rates will indeed fall – but because inflation will go up.

How this affects the investor naturally depends in part on the Government's policy, and the review assumes that it will remain resolute against a rise in public spending to prevent a longer term resurgence of inflation. The good news is that the next inflationary peak will not be as high as the last.

Birmid Qualcast

Birmid Qualcast
Year to 30.4.83
Pretax profit £2.01m (£427,000)
Stated earnings 2.9p (0.5p)
Turnover £89.6m (£91.33m)
Net final dividend 0.33p (0.1p)
Share price 44.5p up 5p. Yield 3.2%

Birmid Qualcast is perhaps better known as a company which makes lawn mowers than as a foundries group. However, it is the foundries side that has dominated its financial performance in recent years.

In the year to last October, the foundries lost £5.5m – most of it in the second half – and latest six-month results from the company, which show pretax profits up from £427,000 to £2m, include foundry losses estimated at just under £2m.

Despite the size of this drain on resources, the group plainly feels that finally it has the structure of the foundry business right. In the absence of a repeat of the sudden downturn in demand in the second half of last year, Birmid is looking for progress towards breakeven in the coming months.

Over two years the workforce in that part of the group has more than halved to 4,000 and the number of production lines has come down to 11. With demand picking up a little, particularly from the car industry, the position is looking more encouraging than at any time in the last four years.

This progress is reflected below the line in an extraordinary credit – £1.7m of profit on disposal of land – where for so many years there have been debits for redundancy and reationalization.

In addition, the central heating division goes from strength to strength with demand particularly strong in the replacement market. Despite a small downturn in lawn mower sales as a result of the wet weather to April, home and garden equipment is experiencing a marginal improvement in profits.

Birmid has turned the corner and its share price – up 5p to 44½p yesterday – is likely to show that in the months ahead.

One of the world's more intellectually testing company reorganizations should come to fruition in Canada today. Inspiration Resources will issue in Toronto a new class of special common stock with warrants which although quoted in Canadian dollars will "mirror" in every way the American dollar ordinary Inspiration stock launched in New York last month.

The issue will complete the effective subordination of Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting to Inspiration. More important, Minorco will subscribe half of the C$200m issue, thereby retaining its 60 per cent holdng in the reorganized company. The special shares are expected to open at a discount to the present $17⅛ for the common. Inspiration will cut its gearing to 50 per cent and could go into profit next year. But British investors might wonder what it all means for Minorco.

COMMODITIES

..NDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices:
Official turnover figures.
..rices in pounds per metric ton
..lver in pence per troy ounce
..dolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

..R HIGH GRADE	
	1109–1110
..months	1121.5–1122
	9.350
..ARD CATHODES	
	1066–1067
..months	1087–1088
	50
..TANDARD	
	8426-8430
..months	8510-8520
	2.690
..HIGH-GRADE	
	8425-8535
..months	8515-8535
	50.
	258.5-259
..months	268.25-268.50
	3.250
	484-485
..months	498.5-499
	3.700
	799-800
..months	818-819
	26

ALUMINIUM

Cash	1006.5-1007.5
Three months	1034-1034.5
T/O:	4.450
Steadier.	

NICKEL

Cash	3180-3185
Three months	3255-3260
T/O:	384
Steadier	

LONDON GOLD FUTURES MARKET
In US $ per oz.

Jly	422.5-425.00
Aug	424.60–425.00
Sep	428.00–429.00
Oct	432.00–432.70
Nov	436.50–436.50
Jan	442.00–445.80
Vol:	350

Tone: Quiet.

LONDON INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL FUTURES
Rudolf Wolff Financial Services Ltd.

Month	Volume	Settlement
YEN		
Sept	2	4176
Dec	–	–
Mar'84	–	–
Comment: Quiet.		
STERLING		
Sept	162	18210
Dec	–	18220
Mar'84	–	18230
Comment: Resilient.		
D-MARK		
Sept	10	3886
Dec	–	3952
Mar'84	–	–
Comment: Steady.		
SWISS FRANC		
Sept	6	4753
Dec	–	–
Mar'84	–	–
Comment: Unchanged.		
EURODOLLARS		
Sept	2420	8967
Dec	269	8936
Mar'84	83	8917
June'84	20	8904
Sept'84	7	8880
Comment: Improved.		
SHORT STERLING		
Sept	471	8982
Dec	99	8969
Mar'84	6	8948
June'84	10	8935
Sept'84	–	8937
Comment: Quiet.		
GILTS:		
Sept	3271	10223
Dec	–	10419
Mar'84	–	10413
June'84	–	10404
Sept'84	–	–
Comment: Active.		

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION:
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on July 19:
GB: Cattle, 94.64p per kg lw (–2.37).
GB: Sheep, 103.87p per kg est d c w (–18.18).
GB: Pigs, 60.69p per kg lw (–4.51).
England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 35.6 per cent. ave. price. 93.18p (–3.46).
Sheep nos. down 2.1 per cent. ave. price. 104.67p (–18.70).
Pig nos. down 14.9 per cent. ave. price. 59.37p (–5.80).
Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 12.2 per cent. ave. price. 97.60p (–0.69).
Sheep nos. up 47.8 per cent. ave. price. 99.94p (–12.30).
Pig nos. up 6.3 per cent. ave-price. 68.46p (+0.82).

London Grain Futures Market

Month	WHEAT Close	BARLEY Close
Sep	£116.50	110.60
Nov	£118.95	114.15
Jan	£122.55	117.45
Mar	£126.65	120.50
May	£129.40	123.60

Total lots traded
Wheat: 110
Barley: 105

LONDON COMMODITY PRICES
Rubber in £'s per tonne;
Coffee, cocoa, sugar in pounds per metric ton;
Gas-oil in US per metric ton.

RUBBER

Aug	800–75
Sept	796–70
Oct/Dec	782–81
Jan/Mch	805–04
Apl/Jne	852–23
Jly/Sep	844–43
Oct/Dec	865–62
Jan/Mch	884–80
Apr/Jne	902–98
Vol:	309

Tone: Easy.

SUGAR

Aug	163.00–62.50
Oct	166.75–66.65
Dec	172.75–71.00
Mch	181.70–81.60
May	185.00–84.60
Vol:	6328.

Tone: Steadier.

COCOA

July	1528–25
Sep	1537–36
Dec	1557–56
Mar	1547–46
May	1549–48
July	1553–48
Sep	1554–52
Vol:	5,641

Tone: Steadier

COFFEE

July	1697–1695
Sep	1652–1651
Nov	1628–1625
Jan	1606–1605
Mar	1585–1584
May	1578–1570
July	1565–1580
Vol:	2.678

Tone: Steadier.

GAS OIL

July	247–248.00
Aug	251–251.75
Sept	256.50–256.75
Oct	260.75–261.00
Nov	263.75–264.00
Dec	266.25–266.75
Jan	268.25–268.00
Feb	263–266.00
Mar	264.25–260.00
Vol:	1.638

Tone: Easier.

ATHLETICS: CRAM AND WILLIAMSON SITUATION 'UNTENABLE'

Coach criticizes selectors' delay

By Pat Butcher

The large and impressive entry for the 103rd AAA championships at Crystal Palace this weekend will be overshadowed if the world championship selectors' prevarication forces Steve Cram and Graham Williamson into a confrontation with Sebastian Coe in a race that is not even part of those championships. It is still unclear why Williamson and Cram were originally chosen to accompany Steve Ovett in the Helsinki 1500 metres, and then dropped. But it is abundantly clear that no one concerned with the selection changes, under whatever pressure, can emerge with any credit or dignity from the farrage.

Williamson, and now Cram after his impressive win in Nice two nights ago, have a better case fpr 1500 metres selection than Coe, who has already been selected for 800 metres in Helsinki. But the move suggested to Coe and Williamson by Andy Norman, the England team manager and selector, at



Williamson: 'proved point'

yesterday's AAA press conference was that the pair should now run in the Robinson's Ready Drink Mile, an invitation race on Saturday evening at Crystal Palace, set up for Coe, Steve Scott and Eamonn Coghlan by their common agent, the International Management Group, and sold to United States television.

This is the only advice or information on what Cram and Williamson have to do to ensure their selection that they are likely to get from official sources this week. Nigel Coopper, secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, admitted yesterday that there would be no communication with the athletes on selection.

George Gandy, Williamson's coach, finds the situation untenable. "In the interests of Cram and Williamson, a clear statement should be made," he said yesterday. "What are the selectors now looking for?" Cram was on his way back from Nice, but his father sympathised with Williamson, who he thought had already "proved his point".

Evidently a race with all three athletes still in contention for 1,500 metres would go a long way toward relieving the selectors of the problem that they have put off until the last members of the team are chosen after the AAA meeting next Sunday evening. Gandy's reaction to such a prospect was: "If Cram is willing to run the mile, then Williamson would probably run, too".

The middle distance selections are not the only contentous issues that will have to be decided after the AAA championships. Another inexcusable ommision is that of Buster Watson for at least the 200 metres. Watson is unbeaten at that distance by British sprinters this year.

There is the usual strong overseas entry for this weekend's championships, and one of the attractions will be Robert de Castella, the Australian distance runner, who is one of the strong favourites for the marathon in Helsinki.

LATEST SELECTIONS: Men 400m: T Bennet (Southampton); P Brown (Birchfield). 1,500m: S Ovett (Brighton Phoenix). 5,000m: E Martin (Basildon). 10,000m: N Rose (Bristol); S Jones (Bristol). 3,000m steeplechase: G Fell (Essex Beagles); R Hackney (Aldershot). 20m walk: P Vesty (Leicester); I McCombie (Cambridge H). 4 x 400m relay squad: Bennett, Brown, G Cook, (Wolverhampton). Triple jump: J Herbert (Haringey). Hammer: C Black (Edinburgh Southern). Women: 100m: B Kinch (Hounslow); S Thomas (Hounslow). 200m: J Baptiste (Wolverhampton). 1,500m: C Boxer (Aldershot). 3,000m: C Benning (Southampton). 100m hurdles: L Booth (Hounslow); J Livermore (Birchfield). 400m hurdles: S Morley (Hickleton Mains), V Elder (Haringey), K Cook (Wolverhampton), B Callender (Reading). High jump: G Evans (City of Hull).

AMERICA'S CUP

Defender back in strong position

Newport, Rhode Island (Reuter). – The contest for the right to defend the America's Cup for the United States intensified when one of the three boats in contention, Defender, made a comeback and won two of three races against Courageous.

Defender took the first race in moderate winds over an 11 mile course by 1 min 33 sec and the second over seven miles by 1 min 3 sec. Courageous, backed by the same syndicate as Defender, won the third race over the shorter course by 29 sec in fresher winds.

The results demonstrated how close are the three yachts from the United States competing to defend the cup. On the first day of the current trials in Rhode Island Sound, Liberty in one race, and now Defender has had the best of it against courageous.

This series of faces will end on July 27, and the final trials will begin on August 16 and continue until the New York club selection committee decides which of the three contenders is best qualified to defend the cup, which the United States has never lost since the trophy was established nearly 132 years ago. Defender is due to race against Liberty, while the seven foreign yachts competing for the chance to take the cup from the United States resume their trials today.

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CYCLING

Kelly's performance has them all talking during Tour halt

From John Wilcockson L'Alpe d'Huez

Who will win the Tour de France? This is a question no closer to an answer it was 17 days ago. We know who will not win, and that includes the pre-race favourite, Joop Zoetemelk, languishihng in 28th place, and Pascal Simon, who finally gave up his unequal struggle with an injured shoulder on Monday, exactly a week after he had won the lead in the Pyrenees.

In Simon's place has emerged Laurent Fignon, also French, aged 22, and in his first Tour. He looks older because of his thinning blond hair, perpetually restrained by a blue and yellow striped headband, and his silver-rimmed spectacles.

He has done nothing brilliant in this race. He owes his yellow jersey to good health and consistency, and to the tactical qualities he has learned in his first two seasons at the side of Bernard Hinault in the Renault-Gitane team.

His best two days have been in the high mountain stages. In the Pyrenees, nine days ago, he took part in an early break from which Robert Millar emerged as the winner. In the first Alpine stage, which arrived here on Monday evening, Fignon had only to defend a lead offered him by Simon's retirement.

Of the other pre-race favourites, only two are still in contention. One is Jean-René Bernaudeau, who was the temporary race leader on Monday before Fignon regained three minutes on the wheels of two specialist climbers, Lucien van Impe and Pedro Delgado. The other is Sean Kelly.

The Irishman's performance in regaining more than eight minutes on Fignon's group at the end of Monday's stage was on everyone's lips during the rest day here. Kelly seemed less impressed. He was bright-eyed and serious before going out on a two-hour training ride yesterday.

"I had nothing in my legs on the early climbs, I don't know why", he said about the first 150 kilometres of the stage, in which he was dropped on each hill, and only returned after long pursuits, often with a similarly off-colour Phil Anderson.

Kelly: 'felt awful'

"It was as if we were chasing a day." Anderson said. The last tim they regained the leaders was at th foot of the penultimate climb, th mighty Col du Glandon. "I fe awful on the first part of th Gandon," Kelly continued. "But gradually came round and rode th last six or seven kilometres quit strongly."

Even so, Kelly was 12½ minut behind Fignon at the summit, h yellow jersey hopes seemingly gon "There were some others with m on the descent, but only Partic Clerc, one of my teammates, woul work with me."

His chase of 37 kilometres shoul have left Kelly without any strengt for the final climb to this 6,000 mountain resort, but he said he fe good. He continued to gain groun arriving among the timber chale and concrete apartment blocks le than four minutes after Fignon ha outsprinted van Impe and Delgad for fifth place.

What lies in store during the fiv final days? "It's still very open, an we all have a chance," Kelly sai referring to his chances in the sar breath as those of Fignon, Delgad and Bernaudeau.

Of the two British riders, Mill rode his way through a bla Monday to finish strongly, ju behind Anderson, but Graha Jones complained of aching kn tendons which could put him out the race today.

HOCKEY

England call in Francis

After England's triumph in a home countries tournament last week in Cardiff the selectors wasted no time in announcing the squad of 16 for the European championship in Amsterdam from August 18-28, Sydney Friskin writes. England's final exercise before the Amsterdam event will be an unofficial match against Kenya at Brisham Abbey on July 31.

Only one change has been made: Neil Francis, of Guildford, replaces Charanjit Bhaura in the attack. Francis is an experienced international player and was a member of England's World Cup squad in Bombay last year. In omitting the six Southgate players because of their failure to attend training weekends the selectors have again been fair to those who presented themselves for regular training.

England squad: P Barber (Slough), K S Bhaura (Hounslow), R Cliff (Nottingham), A Diamond (Beckenham), B S Flora (Slough), D Faulkner (Guildford), G N Francis (Guildford), B Green (Beckenham), N Hughes (Wakefield, captain), J Hurst (St Albans), R Leman (East Grinstead), N Mallett (Bournville), J Potter (Hounslow), M Richards (Bromley), I Sherwani (Southport), I Taylor (East Grinstead)

Connors enters

Jimmy Connors of the United States has entered the international tennis championship to be held in Montreal from August 6 to 14. The tournament now features the four top-ranked players in the world, as John McEnroe, Ivan Lendl, and Yannick Noah, of France, seeded fourth, have also entered.

ROWING

British team for Vichy

The British junior team for the world championships in Vichy from August 4 to 7 was announced yesterday after the British rowing championships last weekend, Jim Railton writes.

Only six of the eight men's events have received British nominations and two of the six women's disciplines. The world championships have provided invaluable experience for many British oarsmen and scullers who have gone on to win Olympic medals.

The standard is exceptionally high, the East Germans usually dominating, and a crew must excel to stand any chance of a final place.

MEN: Coxed four: R Grant (bow), D Martin (St George's, Weybridge), R Metcalf (Bedford RC), J Cross (stroke, Hampton), T Solly (cox, King's, Worcester). Double sculls: T Collerton (Windsor Boys, bow), C Spracklen (Marlow RC, stroke). Coxed pair: J Appleby and B Squires; A Docker-Drysdale (cox, all St Edward's, Oxford). Quadruple sculls: C Buckley (Reading Bluecoats, bow), S Gorthrop (Rob Roy RC), C Newland and E Brown (St Ives RC). Coxless four: M Williams (Shipley College, bow), P Beaumont (King's, Worcester), Alistair Christie (Eton), D Fraser (Shiplake College, stroke). Eight: J Michaels (bow), T Alexis (Lea RC), N Grundy, A Donaldson (St Edward's), D Salse, J West (Hampton), M Norton, S Webb (stroke, King's, Canterbury), J Wilson (cox, Eton College).

WOMEN: Coxless pair: S Clark (Abingdon RC, bow), S Wensley (Sgodes College, stroke). Eight: R Holmes (bow), K Thomas (Weybridge Ladies RC), T Stretch (City of Cambridge RC), A Jones (Strodes College BC), A Barnett (Weybridge Ladies RC), L Silk (City of Cambridge RC), S Allen (Wallingford RC), A Sansom (stroke), A Norrish (cox, Weybridge Ladies RC).

IN BRIEF

Clerc back to form

Chestnut Hill, Mass. (AFP) – José-Luis Clerc, of Argentina, collected a $34,000 prize when he won the Boston Grand Prix tennis tournament here yesterday by beating Jimmy Arias of the United States, 6-3, 6-1 in the final. The victory broke a run of failure for Clerc, ranked tenth in the world. He had failed to get beyond the second round of his nine previous tournaments.

RUGBY LEAGUE: The British amateur squad who have won their four opening games on tour in New Zealand and amassed 137 points, move the top scorer, Andy Rippon to full back against the Northern Districts at Rotorua today.

TEAM: Rippon (Warrington), Ennis (Whitehaven), Lord (Oldham), Bailey (Wigan), Marsh (Wigan), Ford (Oldham), Fox (Dewsbury), Durham (Wakefield), McCallion (Huddersfield), Gallagher (Wigan) Allen (Widnes), Divorty (York), Eyres (Widnes). Substitutes: Tomlinson (Whitehaven), Ruane (Widnes), Roberts (Oldham), Smith (Whitehaven).

CYCLING: The tour of Belgium cycle race, scheduled for August 16-20, has been cancelled for the second successive year because of a lack of entries and organisational problems, officials said yesterday in Brussels.

OLYMPIC GAMES: The Olympic Council of Ireland hope to send a party of up to 100 to Los Angeles for the 1984 Games. "There will definitely be five or six boxers, and more than a dozen athletes, as well as a full equestrian team", Ken Ryal, a council spokesman, said in Dublin yesterday.

SWIMMING: Roger Eady, former Welsh national swimming coach, has been appointed the first paid executive director of the International Squash Rackets Federation. Eady, aged 41, from Newport, Gwent, has been a technical officer for the Sports Council for Wales since 1975

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

(10.30 – 7.30 unless stated)

NatWest Trophy

Second round

DERBY: Derbyshire v Middlesex
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Kent
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Hampshire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Somerset
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Gloucestershire
THE OVAL: Surrey v Warwickshire
HOVE: Sussex v Nottinghamshire
HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire v Northamptonshire

Tour Match

WORCESTER: Worcestershire v New Zealand (11.30 - 6.30)

Minor Counties Championship:

Ipswich: Suffolk v Cambridgeshire.

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: Army inter-teams championships (at Aldershot): Open graded meetings at Parliament Hill, Deangate, Meadowbank.
GOLF: WPGA British championship (at Denham).

TENNIS: Prudential County Cup grass court championships: Men group one (at Eastbourne); group two (at Cromer); group three (at Southsea); group four (at Cambridge); group five (at Ealing); group six (at Felixstowe); group seven (at Malvern). Women: group one (at Eastbourne); group two (at Bournemouth); group three (at Cheltenham)' group four (at Worthing); group five (at Exmouth); group six (at Hunstanton); group seven (at Poole). Yull Cup (at Wimbledon).

FOOTBALL

Appeal on Zico veto

Milan (agencies) – Italy's Olympic Committee (CONI) will announce by Saturday whether the Brazilian internationals Zico and Toninho Cerezo, are eligible to play in the Italian League next season.

CONI's decision about the two players' futures will be final and is not expected to end the controversy over the signings.

The Italian press speculated yesterday that the committee is going to reverse the Italian football federation's decision to exclude the two Brazilians because their contracts were not in order.

The Austrain international defender, Bruno Pezzey, has joined Werder Bremen from Eintracht Frankfurt for a fee of £250,000.

Despite having an overdraught of about £350,000, Wrexham are prepared to spend £10,000 to sign the Liverpool midfield player, Robbie Savage.

● England have been drawn against Iceland in the preliminary round of the European Youth Championship. Northern Ireland will play the Republic of Ireland and Scotland will face Wales.

MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET

Devon's cream finish on top

By Michael Berry

Cornish cricket has grown accoustomed to living in the shadow of its neighbours from Devon. In contemporary times victories for Cornwall over their great rivals have become increasingly rare and the four-wicket win at Exmouth in 1979 sticks in the memory as one of their few recent successes.

Under the old fixture arrangement the custom was for Devon to manage at least one victory over the men from the Duchy in their two annual championship games. But with the new Western division restricting them to only one meeting a season, the drawn game at Helston on Monday means that Cornwall will complete their programme without having suffered a championship defeat at the hands of Devon for the first time in seven years.

It was Devon, however, who finished the game on top and they again appear the more useful of the two outfits. They have a blend of experience and youth that is cause for much optimism. The up-and-coming players are of a particularly high quality.

Thomas, the British Universities spinner; Folland, an English Schools under-19 batsman; Brown, an all-rounder who is on tour with a National Cricket Association side; Westcott and Gaywood represent the best of them. They have also registered Ian Moore, an Australian all-rounder. Zahid, who plays for Habid Bank, is the professional at the Barton club in Torquay and filled the one place on offer to an overseas player against Cornwall.

Devon have also vast experience to call upon. There are the Tolchard brothers, Jeff and Ray, Davey, the former Gloucestershire left-armer who is a publican in his native county, and the evergreen Yeabsley, now 41 years young and by all accounts bowling as well as ever in his twentyfifth season.

Cornwall have strengthened their bowling with the acquisition of Graf, the Australian fast bowler who was with Hampshire, and he impressed with four wickets in the Devon first innings. Graf played Minor Counties cricket for Wiltshire in 1979 before joining Hampshire.

Dorset, who meet Devon tomorrow and Friday at Sidmouth, continued where they left off last season when they beat Buckinghamshire by nine wickets in their opening championship fixture at Bournemouth on Monday.

Dorset improved 17 places to finish third last term and a nine-wicket win over a revitalized Buckinghamshre displayed that th could again be a force. With De Park hosting the Hampshire a Nottinghamshire game, the mat was played at the Bournemou Sports Club and the delayed arriv of some of the Buckinghamshi side owing to road hold-ups cou not have helped towards their fir innings collapse to 114.

A second-innings recovery th saw Hayward and Gear at the hel restored some respectaility. Ha ward contributed his second centu of the season but for Dorset Lew formerly of Hampshire, also mad century and Kennedy, who join from Lancashire, hit an unbeaten as they inched home in the fir over.

In the Eastern division Lincol shire broketheir losing sequence my presence against Bedfordshire Bedford School. Previously I h seen Lincolnshire in action th times this season and all three, t championship matches and o English Industrial Estates tie, h ended in defeat.

Not only did they avoid bei beaaten at Bedford but they won first innings points for the first ti in five championship games.

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CRICKET: A MISTY DAY AT LORD'S WHEN STROKES WERE AS RARE AS BUTTERFLIES

Emburey enjoys himself in Middlesex win

By Alan Ross

LORD'S: Middlesex (23 pts) beat Leicestershire (4) by 180 runs.

...t was never much doubt ...iddlesex would win this and they duly did so in ...ernoon. They batted on ...an hour in the morning, ...ey disporting himself ...y, and then set Leicester... the academic task of ...324 to win. ...l half their wickets had ... which they did at ...t intervals, Leicester... scored at over four runs an ... The gesture always ...l more symbolic than in ..., and once Clift had ...ed after his second robust ...s of the match, strokes ...s rare as butterflies.

...as an old, misty sort of ... more like Hove than ..., and Williams from the ...ry End got the good length ...o lift sharply. Williams ...y tends to bowl too short ...y taste, but like those of ...t height who bowl quick... can be awkward. Butcher, ... and Davison were all ...t behind the wicket off and when Whitaker was ...t off Emburey, Leicester... were 58 for four.

...vison was probably play...s last innings at Lord's. In the autumn he is throwing in his lot with Tasmania. He made 70 on Sunday and though he had little to show for his two innings in this match, he still managed to make his presence felt. Over the years his free stroke play has given much pleasure around the county grounds.

At lunch Clift and Tolchard were together and immediately afterwards, Clift took two fours in an over off Hughes.

He made other, more orthodox strokes than this, until Daniel had him leg before with an in-swinger of full length. He and Tolchard had put on 61 together and it was virtually the only partnership of the innings. Boon and Steele were out to Daniel playing timid strokes and Cook swished across the line at Emburey.

Taylor and Ferris, pushing myopically out, lasted three balls between them, so once again Emburey, with a minimum of effort, found himself with four wickets.

Emburey: four wickets

MIDDLESEX: First innings 292 (R O Butcher 82, M W Gatting 54, W N Slack 52).

Second innings

G D Barlow b Taylor	7
W N Slack l-b-w b Steele	55
C T Radley l-b-w b Taylor	2
*M W Gatting l-b-w b Ferris	2
R O Butcher retired hurt	15
J E Emburey	73
†P R Downton not out	19
Extras (b 7, l-b 6, q 1, n-b 4)	18
Total ()	191

N F Williams, J D Carr, W W Daniel and S P Hughes did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–14, 2–18, 3–21, 4–119.

BOWLING: Taylor 11–1–39–2; Ferris 15–3–57–1; Cook 9–3–18–0; Clift 9–1–36–0; Steele 5–1–21–1.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First innings 160 (J E Emburey 4 for 8, W W Daniel 4 for 50).

Second innings

I P Butcher c Downton b Williams	[illegible]
J J Whitaker c Williams b Emburey	[illegible]
N E Briers c Downton b Williams	[illegible]
B F Davison c Downton b Williams	[illegible]
P B Clift l-b-w b Daniel	[illegible]
†R W Tolchard not out	[illegible]
T J Boon b Daniel	[illegible]
J F Steele c Barlow b Daniel	0
N G B Cook l-b-w b Emburey	5
L B Taylor b Emburey	0
G Ferris b Emburey	0
Extras ()	
Total (n-b 8)	143

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–19, 2–32, 3–54, 4–68, 5–119, 6–127, 7–127, 8–143, 9–143.

BOWLING: Williams 14-2-58-3; Daniel 11-4-26-3; Emburey 9.2-3-14-4; Hughes 4-0-32-0; Gatting 3-1-5-0.

Umpires: D J Constant and R Julian.

Surrey should still be in trophy hunt

By Ivo Tennant

The finalists from last year's NatWest Trophy meet again today expecting, no doubt, to stage a better game than they managed then. Neither Surrey nor Warwickshire are thought likely – at least by the bookmakers – to come remotely near getting so far this time. Those who like their knockout stuff laced with frenzy will not be altogether unhappy at that.

It is somewhat surprising to see that Surrey, the holders, will be aiming for their fifth final in successive years, be it in this competition or the Benson and Hedges. Only one of those matches was memorable, and that more for the batting of Gooch and McEwan (how little some aspects of the game change) than for anything Surrey did. However, it is a splendid record and they should still be in the hunt at the end of this, the second round.

Warwickshire are considerably better than they were last September. Since then they have been strengthened by Old and Gifford who, however absurd he looks in the close-fitting, Packer-style shirts and the tight trousers of today, remains a fine bowler. At the Oval they will probably include Paul Smith, aged 19, the younger batting brother of David.

Other sides are also out for revenge, Kent particularly. Two weeks ago Essex thrashed them by nine wickets in the Benson and Hedges semi-finals and a year ago, at the same stage in this competition, won by 130 runs. Fletcher, then as now drenched in a golden summer and angling for a South African winter, paved the way to victory with 97.

Aslett is unlikely to play today, having been isolated from his colleagues owing to a virus and, in the Essex camp, Lever is down with a stomach abscess. Phillip deputizes.

Against Derbyshire, for whom Holding may make his debut, Middlesex, the favourites, include John Carr, son of the Test and County Cricket Board secretary, in a party of 13. Tomlins will probably replace Butcher, another victim of the fast bowlers' union. Butcher, hit on the left cheek by Ferris at Lords on Monday, is also out of the Benson and Hedges final on Saturday.

More revenge is in the air, or, should one say, sea frets. At Hove Sussex will be seeking to reverse their nine-wicket defeat last season by Nottinghamshire. Le Roux, who looks capable of reversing most things, is fit again and will open the Sussex bowling.

At Old Trafford Hughes, almost a legend in 60-over cricket, will have a fitness test this morning in the hope that he can play against Somerset. He has missed three games with a shoulder injury.

Championship table

	P	W	L	D	Bt	Bl	Pts
Middlesex(4)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	41	223
Essex(7)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	44	198
Warwicks(17)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	35	168
Hampshire(3)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	45	†158
Leics(2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	41	152
Kent(13)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	37	148
Northants(9)	13	4	2	7	28	42	134
Derbyshire(11)	15	5	4	6	21	37	134
Surrey(5)	13	3	1	9	31	38	115
Sussex(8)	14	2	6	6	23	42	97
Notts(4)	14	3	7	4	15	33	96
Somerset(6)	13	1	5	7	32	45	93
Lancashire(12)	15	1	3	11	35	37	89
Gloucs(15)	14	1	4	9	32	35	88
Yorkshire(10)	14	1	4	9	16	35	67
Worcs(14)	13	0	6	7	22	31	53
Glamorgan(16)	13	0	5	8	19	32	51

The Hampshire and Derbyshire records include 12 points for victories in one-innings matches.

1982 positions in brackets

EQUESTRIANISM

Smith wins on 'replica of old Mattie Brown'

By Jenny MacArthur

Harvey Smith, who had an untypical fall here on the opening night, gained an impressive victory in yesterday's Lancome Stakes at the Royal International Horse Show, riding the nine-year-old Sanyo Galaxy whom he bought from Albert Voorn, the Dutch showjumper, a year ago.

Smith describes the Dutch-bred Sanyo Galaxy as "a replica of old Mattie Brown", and it was on Mattie Brown that Smith won the King George V Cup at the Royal International in 1970.

Yesterday Smith rode with his customary skill against the clock and was never in danger of being "jumped off" as he was in Monday night's *Horse and Hound Cup* when riding Sanyo Texology.

His time of 57.81 seconds put him nearly four seconds ahead of the next best horse, Cool Million, ridden by Helena Dickinson. Sally Mapleson took the third place on Crown Plus, Two Paints Beverage.

Smith is delighted with Sanyo Galaxy's progress over the last year. The horse was put out to grass from December until May. In the last two months he has had several wins including two at the City of Glasgow Show and one at the Great Yorkshire last week. Sanyo Galaxy is not just a speed horse, however, as Smith was quick to point out after yesterday's win. "She can go upstairs too."

The *Horse and Hound Cup* on Monday night went to Malcolm Pyrah on Towerlands Anglezarke, giving Pyrah his second win of the day. Only three horses from 45 starters reached the jump-off and none of those three produced a second clear round. John Whitaker, the first to go on Ryan's Son, had four faults in 40.93 seconds. Pyrah also knocked a fence down but had the quicker time of 39.83 seconds.

Nick Skelton on St James, the last to go, knew he only had to have a slow clear round to win and reduced his speed accordingly. But he too had a fence down and was thus relegated to third place.

Many of Britain's top three-day eventers were at the show, competing in the Franklin Mint Horse Trials championships. The dressage phase in the morning was won by Virgina Holgate riding British National Insurance's Night Cap. They beat, by four marks, Rachel Bayliss on Mystic Minstrel, a pair who have for long reigned supreme over horse trials dressage.

In third place was Lorna Clarke on Danville, the pair who came fourth at Badminton and who are on the short list for next month's European championship team. Mrs Clarke has been judging in Zambia and only flew back just before her class yesterday morning.

Two other horses shortlisted for the European championship did not compete due to injury. Miss Holgate's best horse Priceless has a twisted hock and Michael Tucker's General Bugle has some heat in one leg above the knee. Tucker does not know yet whether he will take General Burgle to the final trial for the championships which are at Holker Hall, Cumbria, next week.

LANCOME STAKES: 1, Sanyo Galaxy (H Smith) 0 faults in 57.81 seconds; 2, Cool Million (H Dickinson) 0 in 61.53; 3, Beverage (S Mapleson) 0 in 66.50.

FRANKLIN MINT HORSE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP (dressage): 1, Night Cap (V Holgate) 508; 2, Mystic Minstrel (R Bayliss): 504; 3, Danville (L Clarke) 470.

MONDAY

The Horse and Hound Cup: 1, Towerlands Anglezarke (M Pyrah) 4 in 39.83; 2, Ryan's Son (J Whitaker) 4 in 40.93; 3, St James (N Skelton) 4 in 47.37.

SCHRODER LIFE HACKNEY HORSE (14–15hh): 1, Sunbeam Camargue (P Vyse); 2, Wentworth Skylark (E A Ward); 3, Buckland Flora (R Hassenden).

TAYLOR WOODROW MIDSUMMER DERBY AGE (medium): 1, Powdermonkey (Lady Jolcey) 524; 2, Prince Consort (D Mason) 491; 3, Remiro (J Loriston-Clarke) 489.

Lancashire players are injured

By Richard Streeton

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire (6 pts) drew with Worcestershire (4)

...ncashire, who have drawn ...games than any other team in ...championship, were unable to ...out Worcestershire on a ...ing pitch yesterday. Nearly five ...s were left when Worcestershire ...in again 160 runs behind. ...mons, Abrahams and David ...d, the three spinners, failed to ...the necessary penetration and ...match ended quietly.

...or did Lancashire's frustration ...with Worcesterhire's successful ...stance. In the field Allott broke ...left thumb and Watkinson hurt ...instep, and both are doubtful for ...day's NatWest game with ...merset. The only consolation ...ncashire gleaned was that their ...st innings of 440 was their best ...al this season. They added a ...ther 75 in 55 minutes at the start, ...th Abrahams reaching 178 before ...was eighth out.

...An attractive third-wicket stand ...ween Neale and Patel brought ...e entertainment to Worcester...e's second innings. These two ...e together after Weston played ...and Ormrod was run out ...owing good work by Frank ...yes at cover. Neale on drove ...mons for six and batted with a ...udacity which hinted at a second ...tury in the game for him. He was ...though, moving in front of his ...mps, when McFarlane returned ...minutes before tea.

...tel in the circumstances was ...arkably free, reaching 51 in an ...r with crisp driving against the ...ners. He was beaten to the air ...immons, however, immediately ...r tea. When D'Oliveira, trying to ...edged a ball into his stumps, ...rcestershire were 53 runs on, and ...minutes were left. Banks and ...gworth defended stoutly and the ...e was given up at 5.30.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First innings 280 (P A Neale 139).

Second innings

Ormrod run out	22
Weston b Allott	13
Neale l-b-w b McFarlane	64
Patel st Maynard b Simmons	53
D'Oliveira b Abrahams	18
Banks not out	40
Illingworth not out	13
Extras (b 13, l-b 14, w 1, n-b 3)	31
Total (5 wkts)	254

...Moores, J D Inchmore, S P Perryman and A Pridgeon did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1–..., 2–74, 3–168, 4–174, 5–213.

BOWLING: Allott 9-3-31-1; McFarlane 8-1-28-...; Watkinson 4-4-0-0; Simmons 31-4-80-1; D ...d 24-8-51-0; Abrahams 13-4-34-1; ...rother 1-0-1-0.

LANCASHIRE: First innings

Hayes c Inchmore b Pridgeon	11
...oyd c Ormrod b Patel	79
Hayes c Ormrod b Patel	0
Abrahams run out	178
...Lloyd l-b-w b Inchmore	78
Fairbrother b Inchmore	0
Maynard b Inchmore	1
Simmons run out	0
Watkinson b Pridgeon	29
Allott c Patel b Pridgeon	17
McFarlane not out	0
Extras (b 14, l-b 19, w 2, n-b 14)	49
Total ()	440

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–37, 2–40, 3–155, 4–..., 5–306, 6–307, 7–308, 8–422, 9–423, 440.

BOWLING: Pridgeon 27.4-7-86-3; Inchmore 24-5-73-3; ...l 43-20-84-2; Perryman 15-2-38-0; ...liveira 22-8-64-0; Illingworth 10-1-46-0.

Umpires: K E Palmer and J van Geloven.

BOXING: The funeral service for ...n Cockell, the former British light-heavy and heavyweight champion, will be at St Nicholas's Church, Great Bookham, on Friday at 11.30.

Kent rage against the light

By Peter Ball

SHEFFIELD: Yorkshire (3pts) drew with Kent (8).

Kent won every battle except the last, preventing Yorkshire from gaining the fiv runs they needed to avoid the follow-on, and then removing Boycott, apparently the main impediment to their victory, with nearly three hours left to chip away at his colleagues.

They had done so with considerable success, reaching Yorkshire's last pair of recognised batsmen with 75 minutes remaining, but then they were denied by bad light, the only opposition beyond their control.

So in the end the only truly decisive event of the day had taken place in the opening minutes, Baptiste bowling Illingworth with the second ball of the morning to end Yorkshire's first innings 154 runs behind. The follow-on was a formality, giving Yorkshire the task of occupying the crease for the remainder of the day.

On a wicket which looked flatter than on the first two days, even in their current form, that was by no means an impossible target. Yorkshire made no concession to entertaining the public as they set about it.

It was a situation made for Boycott to display his special brand of obduracy. He resisted for two and a half hours. His first boundary did not arrive until the twenty-second over of the innings. Athey stayed with him until the last over before lunch, when Underwood made a brief appearance to get him caught off bat and pad.

The interval, by which time Yorkshire had creaked to 41, gave little sign of disturbing Boycott's concentration, but an unscheduled interruption for bad light half an hour afterwards may have helped Kent remove the major obstacle in their path.

Four overs after the return, Boycott made a rare misjudgment giving himself room to hit Johnson through the off side. The off break followed him, turning and keeping low to hit middle and off. A hush hung over Abbeydale Park. The crowd quite reasonably assumed, in view of recent evidence, that with him went Yorkshire's hopes.

Sharp and Love, however, dug themselves in to ensure that this time round there were no easy wickets to be had. But with Cowdrey handling his bowlers impressively Kent continued to make inroads. Little bursts by Baptiste and Dilley reduced Yorkshire to 115 for six, still 39 runs behind, with an hour and 20 minutes remaining. Then bad light made its decisive intervention.

KENT: First innings 424 for 5 dec (E A Baptiste 136 not out, C S Cowdrey 113, R A Woolmer 61).

YORKSHIRE: First innings

G Boycott c and b Ellison	101
M D Moxon c Knott b Dilley	33
C W J Athey c Dilley b Baptiste	2
K Sharp c Knott b Baptiste	4
J D Love c Cowdrey b Ellison	10
†D L Bairstow c Dilley b Ellison	6
P Carrick c Knott b Woolmer	27
A Sidebottom b Ellison	44
N S Taylor b Woolmer	4
P W Jarvis not out	11
*R Illingworth b Baptiste	9
Extras (l-b 7, n-b 12)	19
Total	270

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–87, 2–117, 3–122, 4–148, 5–163, 6–170, 7–241, 8–247, 9–249, 10–270.

BOWLING: Dilley 26-8-65-1; Ellison 33-8-59-4; Underwood 3-3-0-0; Baptiste 28.2-8-72-3; Cowdrey 11-2-37-0; Woolmer 6-1-17-2.

Second innings

G Boycott b Johnson	34
M D Moxon c Knott b Dilley	0
C W J Athey c Benson b Underwood	16
K Sharp b Baptiste	30
J D Love not out	25
†D L Bairstow c Johnson b Baptiste	0
P Carrick l-b-w b Dilley	4
A Sidebottom not out	3
Extras (l-b2, w2, n-b4)	8
Total (6 wkts)	121

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–3, 2–41, 3–75, 4–101, 5–101 6–115.

BOWLING: Dilley 13.1-5-20-2; Ellison 16-3-37-0; Underwood 12-9-9-1; Baptiste 16-8-21-2; Cowdrey 4-1-6-0; Woolmer 9-3-14-0; Johnson 3-2-6-1.

Umpires: A Jepson and N T Plews.

Greenidge six clinches victory

BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire (24 pts) beat Nottinghamshire (4) by eight wickets.

Hampshire's fifth county championship victory of the summer against Nottinghamshire needed all of Greenidge's powers of concentration to guide them home on a turning pitch. Greenidge lifted Bore over mid-wicket for the winning six.

Chris Smith was bowled playing back to Hemmings for 11 and Nicholas hit four boundaries in his 20 before Bore had him caught at slip.

Rice, Nottinghamshire's captain, had followed up his first innings 79 with a 68 (12 four) but ther side was dismissed for 238 after knocking off arrears of 171. Hassan's 53 in 140 minutes contained seven fours. Robinson made 29, Birch 20. Southern took five for 74.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First innings 233 (C E B Rice 79; M D Marshall 4 for 70)

Second innings

B Hassan c Greenidge b Marshall	53
R T Robinson b Southern	29
*C E B Rice c Parks b Tremlett	68
J D Birch c Tremlett b Southern	20
M A Fell b Southern	0
E E Hemmings b Tremlett	5
†B N French c Nicholls b Southern	12
K Saxelby c Marshall b Southern	15
A Pick b Marshall	14
M K Bore lbw b Marshall	8
M Hendrick not out	0
Extras (b 4, l-b 3, n-b 7)	14
Total	238

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–63, 2–114, 3–160, 4–165, 5–179, 6–188, 7–211, 8–228, 9–238, 10–238.

BOWLING: Marshall 20-4-48-3; Stevenson 11-2-30-0; Tremlett 17-9-21-2; Southern 29.2-8-75-5; Smith 6-2-21-0; Jesty 6-0-31-0.

HAMPSHIRE: First innings 404 for 6 dec (V P Terry 106 not out, T E Jesty 86, C G Greenidge 63, N E J Pocock 59).

Second innings

C G Greenidge not out	31
C L Smith b Hemmings	11
M C J Nicholas c Hendrick b Bore	20
T E Jesty not out	6
Total (2 wkts)	68

V P Terry, *N E J Pocock, M D Marshall, T M Tremlett, †R J Parks, J W Southern and K Stevenson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–16, 2–43.

BOWLING: Hendrick 4–2–6–0; Hemmings 10–4–31–0; Bore 4–3–1–18–1.

Umpires: J Birkenshaw and C T Spencer.

Foster ends Glamorgan resistance

SOUTHEND: Essex (24 pts) beat Glamorgan (4) by an innings and three runs.

Essex maintained their title challenge by beating Glamorgan yesterday. They needed 10 minutes to capture the last wicket and record their seventh championship win of the season.

After Glamorgan had resumed at 231 for nine wickets, Foster ended the stubborn resistance of Francis by trapping him leg-before for 27 after he had shared in a last-wicket partnership of 59 with Davis (29 not out).

Foster finished with three wickets for 50 in the second innings, for a match analysis of seven for 82.

ESSEX: First innings 359 (K R Pont 125 not out, K S McEwan 104).

ESSEX: G A Gooch, B R Hardie, *K W R Fletcher, K S McEwan, K R Pont, D R Pringle, S Turner, †D E East, R E East, N A Foster, D L Acfield.

GLAMORGAN: First innings 116 (D R Pringle 4 for 22, N A Foster 4 for 32).

Second innings

A Jones lbw b Foster	2
J A Hopkins c Hardie b Pringle	2
R C Ontong c McEwan b Acfield	79
A L Jones lbw b Foster	0
H Morris c D E East b Acfield	29
D A Francis lbw b Foster	27
C J C Rowe b Pringle	33
J G Thomas c Pont b Gooch	7
†E W Jones b Gooch	0
*M W W Selvey c Pringle b Gooch	6
W W Davis not out	39
Extras (b 2, l-b 6, n-b 8)	16
Total	240

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–4, 2–16, 3–16, 4–123, 5–128, 6–165, 7–175, 8–176, 9–181, 10–240.

BOWLING: Foster 11.5-2-50-3; Pringle 11-1-49-2; Turner 3-0-9-0; Gooch 11-1-40-3; Acfield 21-7-50-2; R E East 6-2-16-0; Fletcher 1-0-10-0.

Umpires: B J Meyer and D R Shepherd.

OFFICIAL CORRECTION: Glamorgan v Gloucestershire, May 31: Gloucestershire second innings: B J Lloyd bowled 3.2 overs, not as previously published.

Richards revels in acting role

TAUNTON: Somerset (8pts) drew with Surrey (5)

Viv Richards made the most of his acting captaincy of Somerset by dominating the match, yet he could not prevent Surrey from escaping defeat, ableit by the skin of their teeth.

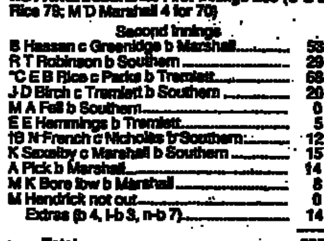
He added 76 glorious runs to his undefeated 142 of the first innings before declaring at 223 for seven. Then he gave great help, with three wickets for 56, to his spin-bowling partner Lloyds, who took five for 120. Surrey's lost pair of Mackintosh and Curtis would not yield to them, hoowever.

It was then announced that Botham is to captain Somerset for the rest of the season, taking over from Rose, who has been advised by a specialist not to play any more first-class cricket this season because of his back injury. Richards will lead the side when Botham is on England duty.

Rose, who led Somerset to victory in the Benson and Hedges Cup in 1981 and 1982, has often been harshly treated by injury. He had to return from England's 1981 tour to the West Indies because of eye trouble.

SOMERSET: First innings 342 for 6 dec (I V A Richards 142 not out, P M Roebuck 56).

P M Roebuck c Richards b Pocock	42
J V Lloyds lbw b Pocock	48
*I V A Richards c Smith b Pocock	76
N F M Popplewell c Curtis b Pocock	8



Lloyds: put Surrey on the brink.

P W Denning not out	21
P A Slocombe c and b Pocock	0
N A Felton c and b Pocock	11
G V Palmer c Clarke b Pocock	2
Extras (b 5, lb 2, w 6, nb 2)	15
Total (7 wkts dec)	223

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–90, 2–118, 3–142, 4–195, 5–195, 6–221, 7–223.

BOWLING: Clarke 11-5-21-0; Thomas 8-0-42-0; Pocock 29.5-10-79-7; Curtis 20-3-66-0.

SURREY: First innings 253 (M A Lynch 78, R D V Knight 52).

First innings

A R Butcher c Gard b Lloyd	45
G S Clinton c sub b Richards	19
D M Smith c Richards b Lloyds	31
M A Lynch c Palmer b Dredge	34
*R D V Knight st Gard b Lloyds	64
S T Clarke c Dredge b Lloyds	0
†C J Richards b Lloyds	14
D J Thomas c Gard b Richards	25
K S Mackintosh not out	5
P I Pocock c sub b Richards	1
I J Curtis not out	1
Extras (b4, l-b7, w1, n-b1)	13
Total (9 wkts)	252

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–51, 2–65, 3–127, 4–152, 5–158, 6–182, 7–229, 8–246, 9–250.

BOWLING: Garner 19-5-43-0; Dredge 5-1-20-1; Lloyds 35-8-120-5; Richards 28-8-56-3.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and D O Oslear.

Test dates for India tours

New Delhi (Reuter) – Pakistan and West Indies will play a total of nine Test matches against India later this year, the Indian Cricket Bord of Control said yesterday.

Pakistan arrive here on September 9 for a month-long tour, including three five-day Tests and three one-day internationals. West Indies arrive on Octorber 1 and will play six five-day Tests and five one-day internationals during their three-month tour.

TEST MATCH DATES: Pakistan v India Sept 14-19: First Test, Bangalore. Sept 24-29: Second Test, Jullundur. Oct 5-10: Third Test, Nagpur. West Indies v India: Oct 21-26: First Test, Kanpur. Oct 29-Nov 3: Second Test, Delhi. Nov 13-18: Third Test, Ahmedabad. Nov 25-30: Fourth Test, Bombay. Dec 10-15: Fifth Test: Calcutta. Dec 24-29: Sixth Test, Madras.

HMC recover from earlier slips

By George Chesterton

EASTBOURNE: HMC Schools beat Esca by seven wickets.

The rain which topped up the work of a sprinkler on a neighbouring wicket and caused a 45-minute delay, could not prevent Jenkins and Lenham carrying the Head Masters Conference, to a notable win yesterday. When play did get started HMC who had declared on 201, were looking for early wickets. Fenton bowled Barnard in his third over with an inswinging yorker, and had a chance or two been accepted in the slips serious inroads might have been made.

Pepper, of Dover grammar school, for the second time in the match showed his qualities as an opener, playing the ball particularly well off his legs. His century was an innings of resolute determination, and included 19 fours in 175 minutes. When he was out, the declaration was not long delayed.

Scores: ESCA 171 for 8 (R M Pepper 42; R J P Burton) and 212-8 (Pepper 108). HMC 201-9 dec (J P Stephenson 53, D J Jenkins 71; K Medlycott 4-59) and 186-3 (A Fordham 59, N Lenham 66).

Yorkshireman's chances of keeping title tonight look good

Whitaker proves that youth is no handicap when chasing success

One year ago today – on the Wednesday of the Royal International Horse Show – Michael Whitaker rode one of the most daring rounds of his showjumping career to win the coveted King George V Cup. In so doing he pushed the European champion, Paul Schockemohle, and the world champion, Norberty Koof, into second and third places.

That was at Wembley. Tonight, riding the same horse, Disney Way, at the White City Whitaker defends that tile. His chances of success look good. The Yorkshireman aged 23, is steadily proving that in international showjumping his relative youth – Smith, Broome and Pyrah are 20 years older – is no disadvantage.

Nor is his amateur status. "Next year's Olympics are my aim," Whitaker confirmed at the Royal Show a fortnight ago, "but it's a matter of finding the right horse". He may already have found it. Osberon Amanda, aged nine has the scope "but she's short on experience". That shortcoming is rapidly being remedied.

This year the partnership have represented Britain in two Nations Cut events and have performed well. At Barcelona in May, they gained two clear rounds and helped secure the cup for Britain. A month later, at Aachen, one of the toughest courses, they had only four faults over two rounds. The Olympic build-up continues in Dublin next month where the pair will again represent Britain.

Whitaker has recently received another fillip: Last week it was announced that he and his eldest brother, John, had entered a joint £60,000 sponsorship contract with the retail chain, Next. "The money makes a great difference to running costs of keeping 16 horses", he said.

Michael, the third of four brothers, was born and brought up near Huddersfield. His parents, Enid and Donald, ran a riding school. All four boys rode and Mrs Whitaker spent most weekends taking them to local shows. Michael was competing at five. His schooldays at Salendine Nook Comprehensive, Huddersfield, were not memorable and he left at 16 with no academic qualifications. He did, however, shine on the sports field and played rugby for Huddersfield juniors at 14.



Whitaker: loves speed

Early showjumping training came with the Rockwood Hunt Pony Club. Michael was a member of their inter-branch team. His intention to become a showjumper was never seriously questioned except for a brief flirtation with national hunt racing at the age of 13. "I think it was the speed that attracted me", he recalls. He has put his love of speed to good effect in the show ring. To watch him against the clock is to see speed jumping at its finest.

Like most of his fellow riders, he finds little time for hobbies or interests outside horses. When not on the circuit he starts riding at 9am and finishes at 5pm. "I ride on average seven hores a day, often more – if I have only three or four to ride it's like a holiday".

The number of horses in his yard at Kettleshulme, Cheshire, increased by six two years ago when he married a Belgian showjumper, Veronique Vastapane. "I brought him all my horses too", says Mrs Whitaker. The pair, who have brought a welcome glamour and style to their sport, met when competing for their countries at the junior European showjumping championships in Belgium in 1976. Michael was 16.

Veronique, unlike her husband, had small encouragement from home in her showjumping career. Her parents knew little about the sport and were not at all sure about their daughter heading off in that direction. Veronique persisted and became one of Belgium's top riders. She now rides successfully in England and was a winner at the South of England Show last month on her best horse, Jingle. "I compete when I can but a lot of the time is spent following Michael about," she said.

Her support has had its effect. In the last two years Whitaker has risen from being 'the younger brother of John' to a star in his own right. Thanks to Disney Way, last year was particularly successful. On him he won two grand prix (Libya and the Royal International) as well as the King George. He was the top national prize winner that year.

Disney Way's owner, Samir Mahmoud, known as Sammy, has played a considerable part in Whitaker's career. He is an Egyptian who came to England to study at Leeds University. He liked Yorkshire and bought a farm there. Always a keen rider himself, he started to compete locally and soon met up with Whitaker. At one of the local shows, six years ago.

Whitaker pointed out Disney Way, then Grade C, as being a horse with potential. Mahmoud bought him and offered Whitaker the ride. The two have now gone into joint-ownership with Overton Amanda and look set for another winning partnership.

The true test of a horseman is his ability to succeed on a variety of horses. As well as Disney Way and Amanda, Whitaker has had wins on John Roberts's Courtway, Mahmoud's Red Flight and Mrs R. Fenwick's Owen Gregory. On the last Whitaker became the youngest winner of the Hickstead Jumping Derby three years ago.

Because the Fenwicks like to keep Owen Gregory at home, Whitaker does not ride the horse except at competitions. He dismisses his own part in the operation "It's just a good horse," he says. The modesty cannot disguise his talent. Many riders would not consider this arrangement. Michael Whitaker not only does so but goes in and wins.

Jenny MacArthur

YACHTING

Hooligan waylays fleet on a long and taxing day

By John Nicholls

Geoff Hodshon, crewed by his nephew, Michael, narrowly won the third race of the Wayfarer world championship at Hayling Island yesterday. For three rounds of the course, in a light and sometimes fluctuating breeze, he had first to fight his way to the head of the fleet and then, on the final round, to defend his lead from those he had dispossessed.

After what must have been a long taxing race the Hodshons crossed the finishing line a few lengths ahead of Trevor Rose and Tim Kirby in Senta. Both the Hodshons and Rose were well-placed the previous day and both improved their standings by one place as a result of the disqualification of Devon Pickle (Jonathan Townsend) after a protest.

Ian Porter, winner of the first two races, had a relatively poor result yesterday, finishing tenth after being badly boxed-in at the start and then losing too much ground on the leaders. Conditions were not helpful to those trying to recover from mistakes, as the light breeze always favoured those at the front of the fleet.

After a dalayed start to allow the wind to settle and then a general recall, competitors had already had a thorough grilling under the hot sun by the time the race got under way. And, soon after they finished, the breeze all but disappeared, so that by the time they returned to the Hayling Island Sailing Club most boats had been afloat for about eight hours.

Third race: (UK unless stated): 1, Hooligan (G. and M Hodshon); 2, Senta (T Rose and T Kirby); 3, One More Escape (I and N Robson); 4, High Times (K Lohr and M Brunius, Sweden); 5, The Waffler (G Gyngell and P Guilfoyle); 6, Shades (A and J Schonborn, Canada).

LYME REGIS: English Youth Championships: Laser: 1, S Childerley; 2, S Cole; 3, L Crispin. 420 Class: 1, Belben and Hammings; 2, Sanderson and Moore; 3, Brotherton and Macdonald.

● A change in the weather favoured the Germans in the Tempest World Championships at Weymouth yesterday, a special correspondent writes.

On the first round Philip Roach and Harold Janka from the USA led the fleet, but then the sun emerged and a building sea-breeze turned the wind to south, bringing Monday's leader, Sepp Hoess and Dieter Klarman, to the fore.

The wind shift dashed British hopes too. Colin Meadows and Gavin Dawson fell to fourteenth but still remain the top British boat.

Third race: 1, J Hoess and D Klarmann (WG); 2, C Schaefer and H Kujan (WG). British placings: 14, C Meadows and G Dawson; 17, M Moncur and D Lowther; 19, R Davis and P Goldrick; 20, D Ward and D Owens.

Swans in shadow of Eclipse

There is no more congenial yacht racing series than the Swan European Regatta at Cowes this week. The wind may have been light and the tide strong and two of the boats, Yellowdrama IV, a Swan 57, and Maid of Unst IV, a Swan 46, may have had cause to regret going quite so close to the shore, but almost anything is forgivable in the company of such elegant craft.

A typical example is Alerion, a well-preserved 10-year-old Swan 44 newly purchased by an American film producer, Bill Graham, for whom a scratch crew was organized by the magazine, *Yachting Monthly*.

In yesterday's short Solent race, where the racing division was won by a well-sailed Eclipse, they placed six – a not inauspicious start.

RESULTS: Racing: 1, Eclipse (A Duffus); 2, Pepsi (J Oswald); 3, Dainic (L Rousselin). Class I: 1, Xacasyera (J Tinal); 2, Yellowdrama V (... Cassir); 3, Charisma (Dr E Jacobs). Class II: Xara (D Barham); 2, Red Otter (D Kenny); 3, Geronimo (A and W M Curtis).

English challenge

Steve Baddeley and Kevin Jolly, of England, are among 15 top singles players who have confirmed their participation in the third badminton World Cup in Kuala Lumpur from August 16-21.

GOLF

Mann is nearly in a hole with his stroke

By Lewine Mair

Playing down the 19th in a ...portant championship is not ...uch fun at the best of times. For ...ndsay Mann, up against Stephen ...singwood on the second day of ...e Scottish Amateur champion...ips at Gullane, it proved a doubly ...umatic affair.

As he set about lining up the ten ...t putt he needed for the match, ...e Walker Cup Scot asked ...singwood to leave his ball where ...was – namely three inches to the ...t of the hole. And then, as you ...y already have guessed, he ...mptly proceeded to hit his own ...so far off line as to nudge ...singwood's towards the hole.

...n the kind of desperate moment ...ich will be with him until the end ...his golfing days, Mann watched ...the wrong ball hovered on the ...r. Mercifully, it decided to stay ...ve ground. The two then ...ired to the 20th where, with the ...year-old Easingwood hitting ...ough the back of the green in two, ...ann was able to pin down a ...nning four.

Charlie Green's friend was quick to suggest that he had "slipped a little" yesterday. Three under par where he had been four under in the opening round, Green met with little resistance from Ross Fraser, a former Scottish Boy's stroke play champion. The Walker Cup captain's little pitches and chips were lethal while Fraser ruined his chances with a host of wild tee shots. Yesterday it was the turn of Colin Cuthbert to have a hole in one. However, as happened to Mike McLaren who made the first, Cuthbert failed to win; his ace at the ninth merely enabling him to keep going till the 13th against Tom Cochrane of Dunnikier Park.

● Jack Nicklaus could by playing in the World Match Play Championship at Wentworth in October. "The matchplay comes at the wrong time of the year for me, but if Steve and Gary (his sons) are not playing football then I might come over." Nicklaus said. "I'd rather be watching them."

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

NICE: International meeting: Men: 100m: 1, C Smith (US), 10.44 sec; 6, M McFarlane (GB), 10.76. 200m: 1, M Lattany (US), 20.33; 4, McFarlane, 21.01. 400m: 1, B Cameron (Jam), 45.03. 800m: 1, J Cruz (Br), 1min 44.31sec; 4, G Cook (GB), 1:45.71. 1,500m: 1, S Cram (GB), 3:36.68. 3,000m: 1, T Byers (US), 7:51.13. 400 hurdles: 1, H Schmid (WG), 48.57. High jump: Equal 1, P Sjoeberg (Swe) and C Thraenhardt (WG), 2.30m. Pole vault: 1, P Quinon (Fr), 5.80m; 5, K Stock (GB), 5.40m. Triple jump: 1, M Conley (US), 17.13; 5, K Connor (GB), 16.32. Javelin: 1, R Ewaliko (US), 86.88; 3, D Ottley (GB), 78.18. Women: 100m: 1, M Ottey (Jam), 11.39; 3, K Cook (GB), 11.65; 4, B Callender (GB), 23.14. 1,500m: 1, W Sly (GB), 4:08.73. 100m hurdles: 1, M Chardonnet (Fr), 13.27. Javelin: 1, A Verouli (Gr), 60.00.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: New York Yankees 4, Minnesota Twins 2; Toronto Blue Jays 8, Kansas City Royals 2; Chicago White Sox 5, Cleveland Indians 3; Boston Red Sox 7, California Angels 2; Baltimore Orioles 9, Seattle Mariners 4; Detroit Tigers 4, Oakland Athletics 2; Milwaukee Brewers 4, Texas Rangers 3 (first game); Milwaukee Brewers 5, Texas Rangers 4 (second game).

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Houston Astros 8, Philadelphia Phillies 2; Atlanta Braves 7, New York Mets 4.

RUGBY UNION

TOUR MATCH (Nairobi): Kenya RFU President's XV 15, Penguins 28.

FOOTBALL

MONTEVIDEO: Uruguay 1, Peru 1.

YACHTING

VANCOUVER: Duke of Edinburgh Trophy series: 1, R. Melville (GB); 2, K. Frost (US); 3, R. Stiffe (Aus).

BASKETBALL

SEOUL: South Korea 74, Sweden 78; Austria 104, South Korea University 92; Australia 73, Saudi Arabia 60; US 110, Egypt 53.

GOLF

PONTE VEDRA: USPGA leading money-winners (US unless stated): 1, H Sutton $277,384; 2, L Wadkins $275,857; 3, B Crenshaw $242,219; 4, G Morgan $235,782; 5, F Zoeller $229,021; 6, T Kite $228,392; 7, S Ballesteros (Sp) $207,738; 8, C Peete $199,858; 9, T Watson $193,876; 10, R Floyd $171,908. British placings: 78, P Oosterhuis $48,538; 100, N Faldo $32,651.

GARLAND: USLPGA leading money-winners (US unless stated): 1, J Carner $153,344; 2, P Sheehan $145,388; 3, K Whitworth $143,937; 4, B Daniel $139,252; 5, H Stacy $128,057; 6, P Bradley $125,586; 7, A Alcott $125,570; 8, A Miller $123,847; 9, J Stephenson (Aus) $121,533; 10, S Haynie $92,458.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: Donegall Cup (tie shoot): B. S. Murray (Can) 84. Sudan Gold Medal: R. Courtney (Guernsey), 138/45. Corporation Cup: S. Cuddy (Dungannon OB), R. Pitcairne (Can), P. Weston (Kidderminster), R. J. S. Curtis (North London), H. J. Thomas (Old Epsomian), G. Ayling (Aus), M. F. B. Bradley (Louth), all 48. Wimbledon Cup: A. E. Clarke (Manydown), M. C. Puttock (City), G. R. Atkinson (Dorking), Sgt J. White (RAF), F. Bertorelli (South Wales), all 50/25. Mander Cup (police pistol teams): Northumbria A, 1,023. Police pistol (individual): A. Howles (West Mercia), 260. Stock Exchange Aggregate Trophy: L. E. King (Colchester), 150. Young riflemen's aggregate (under 25): T. E. M. Childe (Victoria College, Jersey), 148. Gerry Jones Trophy (schools aggregate): Gresham's, 757. Senior county championship (short range): Nottinghamshire, 778. Junior county championship (short range): Tayside, 387. Inter-Services Cup: Canadian cadets, 1,145.

TENNIS

PARIS: Men's grand prix standing: 1, Y Noah (Fr) 1,528 pts; 2, M Wilander (Swe) 1,431; 3, I Lendl (Czech) 1,241; 4, J McEnroe (US) 1,220; 5, J Higueras (Sp) 1,182; 6, J Connors (US) 1,145; 7, G Mayer (US) 730; 8, J Arias (US) 671; 9, K Curren (SA) 635; 10, E Teltscher (US) 576.

CHESTNUT HILL (Massachusetts): US professional championships final: J-L Clerc (Arg) bt J Arias (US), 6-3, 6-1.

WASHINGTON: Grand prix tournament, first round: T Tulasne (Fr) bt V van Patten (US), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; B Drewett (Aus) bt M Orantes (Sp), 7-6, 6-4; H Solomon (US) bt J Arrese (Sp), 6-0, 6-3; C Panatta (It) bt C Miller (Aus), 6-2, 6-1; G Moretton (Fr) bt N Saviano (US), 6-3, 6-4; D Bedel (Fr) bt J Ross (US) 6-4, 6-2.

HILVERSUM: Grand prix, first round: R Gehring (WG) bt V Pecci (Par) 6-4, 6-4; B Taroczy (Hun) bt R Royer (U.S.) 6-1, 6-1; P Johnson (Aust) bt J Smith (GB) 3-6, 6-3, 6-0; J Higueras (SP) bt L Pinner (WG) 6-2, 6-3; R Chappell (U.S.) bt S Lipton (U.S.) 6-4, 1-6, 6-2; T Smid (Czech) bt I Nastase (Rom) 6-4, 6-2; H Gunthardt (Switz) bt B Derlin (NZ) 6-4, 6-4.

KITZBUHEL: Austrian Open, first round: P Elter (WG) bt O Oberparleiter (Austria) 7-5, 6-1; H-D Beutel (WG) bt A Paretta (It) 6-4, 6-4; J Gurfein (U.S.) bt F Punec (SA) 6-4, 6-4; G Tiberti (Arg) bt H Stiegler (Austria) 6-3, 6-3; M Mir (Sp) bt G Rinaldini (It) 6-2, 6-4; G Barbosa (Br) bt B Pils (Austria) 6-3, 6-4; K Meiler (WG) bt M Buckley (U.S.) 6-4, 7-6. Second round: R Schwaier (WG) bt J Velasco (Col) 6-2, 6-0.

CYCLING

NORTH BERWICK: Scottish international health race, second stage: 1, K Reynolds (Eng) 3hrs 50 mins 49sec; 2, M Groothans (Bel); 3, W Peeters (Bel); 4, P Andersen (Den); 5, P Wilkins (GB); 6, R Kinmage (Ire) all same time. Team: 1, Great Britain 11hrs 32 mins 27sec; 2, England 11:32.27; 3, Netherlands 11:32.27. Overall positions: 1, T van Vliet (Neth) 7:03.58; 2, R Melrose (Scot) 7:04.20; 3, H Wolters (Neth) 7:04.30; 4, P Wilkins 7:04.35; 5, R Kinmage 7:04.35. Overall team positions: 1, Netherlands 21:13.03; 2, Scotland 21:13.30; 3, Great Britain 21:13.45.

TENNIS

St Paul's reach last 16

By a Special Correspondent

St Paul's reached the last 16 in the public schools tennis doubles for the Youth Cup at Wimbledon yesterday, after beating King's Taunton in two easy matches. St Paul's, who dominated schools tennis in the late seventies, also gave British players a rare success over Americans – two of the Taunton side came from Rhode Island. St George's.

Weybridge, the favourites, were in devastating form against King's, Chester. Francis Mackie, probably the best singles player in the event, hardly made an unforced error and produced series of delicate angles throughout.

Repton, the holders, began their defence confidently. Their top player Andrew Clifford, winner of last week's singles Clark Cup, was partnered by Matthew Smith, to form another of the best pairs. They beat Ampleforth 2-0.

FIRST ROUND: Repton bt Ampleforth 2-0; Uppingham bt Woodhouse Grove 2-0; Cheltenham bt Rugby 2-1; Marlborough bt Aldenham 2-0; Wellingborough bt Greshams 2-1; Ardingly bt Malvern 2-1; Bristol GS bt Oratory 2-1; Norwich bt Wrekin 2-0; Lancing bt Gordonstoun 2-0; Felsted bt Shrewsbury 2-0; Eton bt Pangbourne 2-0.

SECOND ROUND: St George's, Weybridge bt King's, Chester 2-0; Magdalen College School bt King's, Canterbury 2-0; Haberdasher's, Elstree bt Charterhouse 2-0; St Paul's bt King's, Taunton 2-0; Lancing bt Norwich 2-0; Wellington, Berkshire bt Oakham 2-0; Reigate bt Mill Hill 2-0; Sevenoaks bt Felsted 2-0.

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Aiming for record

A total of 16 countries have confirmed their entries for the world cup darts championship, to be held in Edinburgh in October.

IN BRIEF

FOOTBALL: Hampden Park will have an area where companies can entertain guests at £95 a head for meals, drinks, first-class seats, parking and closed circuit television viewing at future Scotland matches, starting with Uruguay's visit on September 21. The SFA hope to make £100,000a season from the arrangement.

SHOOTING: The Canadian army cadets, 16 boys and four girls, with ages ranging from 16 to 18, defeated all the British Services and the Canadian forces to win the Inter-Services Challenge Cup at Bisley yesterday. They beat the Territorial Army into second place, with Regular Army third, ahead of the United Kingdom cadets.

BOXING: Ray Manchini (United States) will defend his WBA lightweight championship against Orlando Romero (Peru) at Madison Square Garden, New York, on September 15.

RACING

Granville Stakes likely to launch a new star

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

The King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes is not the only race which will fascinate the crowd at Ascot on Saturday. The Granville Stakes is another with attraction: even though it is confined to two-year-olds who have never run, it is a launching pad for stars of the future. Ten years ago the Granville Stakes indicated that Grundy would be very good. In the intervening years no horse even bordering his class has emerged from the race with credit but this year there is ground for thinking that it could turn out to be a useful barometer once again.

When I was in Kentucky attending the Keeneland yearling sales 12 months ago I wrote that Michael Goodbody had just bought what I thought was arguably the nicest, though not the most expensive colt, in the sale. Soon afterwards a veterinary friend remarked that he would not be surprised if the horse in question never even saw a racecourse! Such is the wide divergence of opinion in racing.

I had taken an interest in the colt in the first place simply because he was the result of a mating planned by my host, Robin Scully, on his Covelly Farm. Unfortunately for Mr Scully he had decided to sell Unity, the dam of the colt, two years earlier when she was in foal to Roberto. Subsequently the product was offered for sale at Keeneland by Tom Gentry who, apart from being a supremely successful breeder of the thoroughbred in that area, is also renowned for the annual party that coincides with the sale at which the likes of Bob Hope cast their magic spell.

Having paid next to nothing by modern standards for Unity when she was in foal to Roberto, Mr Gentry was rewarded for his vision to the tune of $1,300,000 when he sold her.

When he bid that amount Goodbody was acting on behalf of Sheikh Maktoum al Maktoum who ultimately named his purchase Tapping Wood. On Saturday the wisdom of their judgment and mine, for what it is worth, will be put to the test in public for the first time when Tapping Wood runs in the Granville Stakes.

Yesterday George Robinson, our Newmarket correspondent, told me that it could easily be vindicated because Tapping Wood has answered ever question that his meticulous trainer, Michael Stoute, has asked of him. But Robinson also warns that Tapping Wood will not have everything his own way because Henry Cecil, will be saddling Keen, who is a full-brother to both Kris and Diesis, and he too goes nicely.

Sheik Maktoum will also have to contend with a fancied runner owned by his brother, Sheikh Hamdan. This will be Sheikh Hamdan's $500,000 Keeneland Purchase. I-bin-Zadoon, whose trainer, Peter Walwyn, knows precisely what is required, having also won the race twice since the halcyon days of Grundy with Avgerinos and Naar.

As the main race on Saturday is concerned there were no surprise absentees or inclusions in the list of four-day acceptors published yesterday. A field of 12 is likely because Solford has only been declared lst misfortune should befall his stable companion, Caerleon, who is Vincent O'Brien preferred choice. Henry Candy has still not decided who will ride Time Charter and after discussing the situation with him yesterday I got the firm impression that he does not expect to make up his mind finally today. All options are being considered very carefully following the very unfortunate accident to Time Charter's regular jockey, Billy Newnes last Thursday.

At Sandown this evening Azara can strike a blow for Time Charter's camp by winning the Twice Times Stakes, while Band can give Sun Princess's trainer, Dick Hern, cause for quiet satisfaction by wining the Brooklands Handicap.

Holmbury is looking good for Goodwood

Geoff Huffer thinks he has the answer to next week's Extel Handicap at Goodwood in Holmbury, who has recovered from his rough race in the Derby and won gamely at Folkestone yesterday. Holmbury beat Jet Sioux, a 33-1 outsider, by half a length in the Ham Street Maiden Stakes, after which Huffer said: "He'll win the Extel all right."

Huffer has always thought Holmbury high class; but after the Derby, in which he came home with a cut head and grazed hind leg after colliding with Tolomeo, be became hard to train. "It frightened him and we couldn't get him right", the Newmarket trainer said.

"He's only 75 per cent now but 'thrown in' with 6st 9lb at Goodwood, where he doesn't get a penalty."

The Brighton-based owner, Graham Sanger, admitted to a good bet at 4-1 after his giant two-year-old Stormchaser landed a minor gamble in the Tenterden Juvenile Maiden Auction Stakes. Stormcaster, first youngster to score for the former National Hunt jockey, Bobby Beasley, now based at Lewis, settled well on the rails behind the leaders before striking for home at the quarter-mile pole. The son of Abwah the 9-2 chance, Record Supreme, by half a length, with Trish-Trash (6-1) a further two lengths back in third.

Sanger, who owns, Stormchaser jointly with Beasley and Alan Whittlesea from Epsom, said: "He was a real bargain buy for Bobby at 1,900 guineas and has filled out tremendously well. Obviously, he'll be better with some cut in the ground, so we'll give him a bit of a rest."

Spring pastures (11-2) surprised his trainer, John Winter, when defying 9st 7lb in the Romney Nursery, beating a 7-2 shot, Tislamee, by a length and a half. "I thought he had quite enough weight but he's tough," Winter said.

Eric Witts's first visit to Ayr paid off in the Alloway Maiden Fillies Stakes when Wow Wee Woo (5-1), swept home by two lengths from Vanishing Trick in the hands of Dean McKeown.

British pay $4.25m for yearling

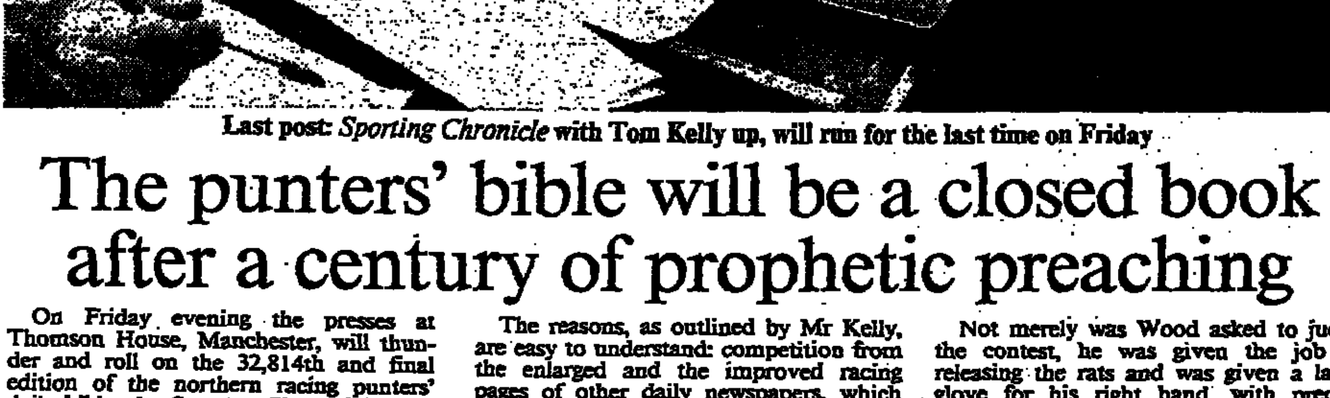
Lexington (Reuter)–A British syndicate paid $4.25m for a yearling thoroughbred colt and a filly was sold for a record $2.5m during the first day of the 40th annual Keeneland July selected yearling sale.

The British Blood Stock Agency (BBA), the syndicate which includes the breeder and owner, Robert Sangster, bought a bay colt by 1964 Kentucky Derby winner Northern Dancer, out of Desert Vixen.

The $4.25m bid equalled the price paid by a Sangster syndicate last year for Empire Glory, a son of Nijinsky II out of Spearfish.

The Aston Upthorpe Stud Farm of England, owned by Sheikh Mohammed Maktoum, of Dubai, eclipsed the previous record price for a filly by $700,000 in a successful bid for a bay filly by Northern Dancer out of Ballade. The previous record was set last year for South Sea Dancer, a daughter of Northern Dancer out of South Ocean.

Buyers at the two-day sale paid $74.3m for 153 yearlings, an average of $485,718 a horse



Last post: *Sporting Chronicle* with Tom Kelly up, will run for the last time on Friday

The punters' bible will be a closed book after a century of prophetic preaching

On Friday evening the presses at Thomson House, Manchester, will thunder and roll on the 32,814th and final edition of the northern racing punters' daily bible, the *Sporting Chronicle*. When the paper has gone to bed for the last time, after 112 years of tipping, betting forecasts and form guides, the staff will repair to a nearby hostelry.

There, says the *Sporting Chronicle's* editor, Tom Kelly, a 39-year-old Scotsman, "We shall have a little party, perhaps a wake. A few drinks will be consumed, and a few tears will be shed. Genuine tears, since we are a friendly lot and relationships have always been good."

The *Sporting Chronicle* will die because its owners, Thomson Withy Grove Ltd, can no longer sustain heavy trading losses. In 1982 these amounted to £1.7m, and since 1975, have amounted to a total of £5.8m. More than 300 jobs will be lost within the total workforce of 2,051 at Thomson Withy Grove, and the redundancies will be right across the board, affecting journalists, advertising staff, circulation, printing and transport.

Thus will end the long life of the daily racing newspaper that was born in a small Manchester printing shop in 1871. It was the brainchild of Edward Hulton, the compositor who founded the newspaper empire which evetually became Kemsley Newspapers and eventually Thomson Newpapers. Hulton gave his new paper the title *The Phrophetic Bell*, but within two years had changed the title to the more prosaic and effective *Sporting Chronicle*. In its heyday as the racegoers' daily mine of exhaustive information and full racecards, *Sporting Chronicle* had a circulation of 120,000 throughout the country, but this has slumped to the present figure of 33,000.

The reasons, as outlined by Mr Kelly, are easy to understand: competition from the enlarged and the improved racing pages of other daily newspapers, which give a quickly digested basic service, rather than the *Sporting Chronicle's* voluminous detail; a necessarily big cover price of 35p an issue; the high cost of setting in type a specialist newspaper; a decline in racecourse attendances; and the general effect of the recession on advertising.

Over the years of its century-long existence, the *Sporting Chronicle* has won a special reputation as an arbiter in all minor sporting disputes, frequently intervening to mutual satisfaction in arguments between bookmakers and punters.

Sporting Chronicle

Arthur Wormsley, 50 years a Manchester journalist and doyen of the sub-editors' table, tells of a legendary character named Bill Wood who was frequently requested to attend sporting challenge matches in a dual role as reporter and arbitrator, and received some weird assignments.

On one occasion he was asked to officiate at a rat-catching contest and set off for the venue presuming that it would be a match between terriers. On arrival, he found, to his dismay and a degree of revulsion, that the match was between two men, who sat at one end of a long table with their hands tied behind their backs. At the other end of the table was a sackful of live rats, who were released on a signal, and the contest was decided by the man whose teeth and jaws despatched the larger number of rats as they attempted to run past.

Not merely was Wood asked to judge the contest, he was given the job of releasing the rats and was given a large glove for his right hand, with precise instructions on how to avoid being bitten.

On another occasion Wood was invited to umpire a swimming challenge match between two men across Morecambe Bay. He set off alongside the swimmers in a hired rowing boat, but got into difficulties halfway across, fell into the water and unwittingly caused the cancellation of the event, as the swimmers rescued him and brought him back to land. To this day, as Mr Kelly underlined, the letters page is used as an arbitration service.

Mr Kelly is a product of journalism in Edinburgh, starting as an editorial junior in the sports department of an Edinburgh evening newspaper, developing an interest in racing, and pursuing his career in Manchester through to the editor's chair our years ago. His own future is reasonaly secure. He will go to London to take up a new post as director-general of the Betting Offices Licensees Association.

Good as some daily newspaper tipsters are, the in-depth professionals are to be found in the pages of the *Sporting Chronicle*. Dick Adderley has for more than 40 years been one of the most successful tipsters in Britain, with his daily "Beat the Book" forecasts. Five times Adderley has won th £1,000 and gold cup awarded by *Sporting Chronicle* for the country's best and most consistent tipster.

The death of a newspaper is always a moment of sadness for some, heartbreak for others. As Tom Kelly says, the demise of the *Sporting Chronicle* will leave a gaping hole in the world of specialist, deeply-informed racing knowledge.

Keith Macklin

TENNIS

Teasing taste of Eastern promise

From Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent
Zurich

The Federation Cup competition, sponsored by the Tokyo-based Nippon Electric Corporatation, has appropriately, if temporarily, assumed a strong Far Eastern accent. The last 16 in this women's team championship include China and Japan and almost included Korea too.

The line-up is as follows: United States v Sweden, Yugoslavia v China, Czechoslovakia v Italy or Austria, Hungary v Argentina, Switzerland v Romania, Mexico v Australia, Britain v Brazil, Japan v West Germany.

Yesterday the temperature was 95F in the shade (goodness knows what it was in the open) when two extraordinary spectacles occurred within yards of each other. In one direction, the Chinese were beating the Netherlands, seeded eighth, and in the other, bare-breasted young women were reported to be sunbathing behind a screen that, unknown to them, was transparent. One says "reported" because your correspondent, unaware of the alternative entertainment, happened to be concentrating totally on the tennis.

Tennis does not matter much in China and China does not matter much in tennis. Yesterday, though, two young ladies in their middle twenties suggested that such generalizations may not be valid for much longer. Yu Liquiao, sporting pale green shorts and an elegantly wristy backhand, beat Marianne van der Torre 6-3, 6-0 in the second string match. Then Wang Ping, a soundly tenacious left-hander who gave nothing away, saved three match points at 4-5 in the second set, and went on to baffle Marcella Mesker and beat her 2-6, 7-5, 6-2.

The United States, winners for seven consecutive years, came here with a weak team consisting of Andrea Jaeger, aged 18, and the doubles partnership of Candy Reynolds and Paula Smith. Martina Navratilova and Chris Lloyd had better things to do. Tracy Austin withdraw so late that an adequate replacement could not be rounded up in time, and Miss Reynolds ("it's a great opportunity for me") was therefore lumbered with the responsibility of playing the second string singles.

Yesterday, she won 6-4, 6-2, against Astrid Sunde, of Norway, whose tactical thinking was more advanced than her technique. Miss Jaeger won 6-0, 6-1 against Ellen Grindvold, who was chiefly remarkable for flourishing her left arm this way and that, as if painting on a wall, before tossing up the ball for her service.

France, seeded sixth, were beaten by Argentina which was hardly surprising, because the French relied on two teenagers, Catherine Tanvier and Corinne Vanier. Miss Tanvier did her stuff in the singles, but Miss Vanier did not. The Argentine singles players, Ivanna Madruga-Osses and Emilse Raponi-Longo, were too good for the same French girls in the doubles.

Yugoslavia had to make do without Mima Jausovec, otherwise engaged in the United States, and therefore did well to win a tough tie with Korea. Andrea Temesvari, that strikingly attractive Hungarian, lost only one game to Angelo Longo of Zimbabwe. This was a remarkable achievement considering that after a dressing room fall Miss Temesvari has a hole in the second toe of her left foot, and, until the eve of the match, was in some doubt about whether she would be fit to play. One way and another, it was an odd sort of day.

FIRST ROUND: United States 3, Norway 0; China 2, Netherlands 1; Hungary 3, Zimbabwe 0.
Argentina 2, France 1; Czechoslovakia 3, Peru 0

Haworth and Walker triumph

By Richard Eaton

Craig Haworth, the Buckinghamshire teenager who is Britain's third ranked junior, gained himself a job at the David Lloyd school of Tennis at the start of the summer. Whether at the end of this week he still has it is a subject for mirth because yesterday he and Ross Walker beat Lloyd and David Felgate 6-4, 6-4 on the centre court at Devonshire Park, Eastbourne, in Group One of the Prudential County Cup.

Haworth, has been very much inspired by the presence alongside him of walker, a trans-Atlantic import of considerable cost. The youngster was the hardest hitting, and, at times, even the most effective player on the court. The five rubbers in which he and his partner have remained unbeaten have also suggested that Walker has been quite a loss to British tennis since departing for America eight years ago.

Lloyd, the india rubber man in both physique and temperament, was predictably undaunted by all this. The former Davis Cup man was soon piloting his partnership to a straight sets win over Chris Smith and Kevin Hodges and by tea Essex, the holders, were 4-2 ahead against Buckinghamshire, with the former British number four, Robin Drysdale, and a debutant Paul Reekie winning two.

Buckinghamshire, competing for the first time in the top groups and delighted with the exploits of Walker, were plotting to put into operation plan B and plan C to try to ensure that their honeymoon has a happy ending. A former British junior hardcourt champion Keith Gilbert, delayed by commitments in his lorry business, ferries himself into Eastbourne today and even though that is two days late it should enhance the side's prospects considerably.

It also means that Mike Francis, at 40 the oldest man in the group, can be rested today for the vital relegation encounters against Derbyshire and Yorkshire still to come. Francis who first played county week 22 years ago, is a man impeccable well preserved and well mannered and is only three away from notching 200 wins for his team. At this level, though, he will indeed need to be fresh to complete them.

MEN: Group Two (At Cromer): Leicestershire 7, Berkshire 2; Warwickshire 5, East of Scotland 4.

Catterick Bridge

Draw advantage: low numbers best

2.0 BRADFORD STAKES (2-y-o maiden fillies: £828: 5f) (14 runners)

1	4	ALL SECRET (J Hardy) J Hardy 8-11	N Carlisle 3	14
2	000	ARATI (J Morris) A Smith 8-11	L Charnock	7
3		BUCKALEX (R Sangster) D Morley 8-11	G Duffield	10
4	30	CAPTAIN BONNIE (S Wong) B Hanbury 8-11	P Young	6
5		CLAY PIGEON (Maktoum Al Maktoum 8-11	M Birch	2
6		FLEUR-DE-CHRIOSE (R Manns) A Balding 8-11	J Balding	12
8	0000	JESTERS PET (T Bell) R Whitaker 8-11	R Fox	13
9	2	LADY OF LEISURE (Northumbria Leisure) I Vickers 8-11	M Hindley 7	9
10	00	LA PEPPER (P Dowson) J Etherington 8-11	J Seagrave	8
11		LINPAC LEAF (Lin Pac Containers) W Elsey 8-11	E Hide	4
12	02000	MARKHAM GIRL (D Pritchard) R Thompson 8-11	–	11
15		QUITE ALERT (J Kearney) A Bailey 8-11	N Howe 3	5
18	3	SOUTHERN VENTURE (C Rowe) S Norton 8-11	J Lowe	1
19	222	TRIM TAXI (T Lee) T Barron 8-11	S Webster	3

15-8 Trim Taxi, 7-2 Clay Pigeon, 5 Southern Venture, 6 All Secret, 8 Captain Bonnie, 12 Lady Of Leisure, 16 others.

2.30 LEEDS HANDICAP (3-y-o selling: £805: 5f) (13)

1	1-00000	MASTER BROKER (DB) (B Attenborough) M W Easterby 9-7	M Birch	9
2	430043	JIMMY RAINE (B) (Mrs I Raine) T Barron 9-6	S Keightley 7	5
4	0040-02	CELTIC BIRD (D) (J Cooke) A Balding 9-2	J Balding	6
5	0-00000	DONNA GREY (B) (B Worthington) R Stubbs 9-1	M Fry 3	7
6	000-00	PROVANHILL GIRL (J Provan) T Taylor 9-0	–	12
7	0-00014	TRADESMAN (D) (Mrs M Rutherford) J Haldane 8-12	K Darley	10
8	320-0	FERRYBOAT (J Hardy) J Hardy 8-12	N Carlisle 3	2
9	24-0004	SONG TO SINGO (D) (P Simmonite) J Etherington 8-11	J Seagrave	11
10	000-00	CLEOBURY KATE (K Terry) J Tierney 8-9	D Dineley	4
11	00-000	AVERAYR (B) (K MacPherson) P Calver 8-9	O Gray	13
12	00-0000	SILVER RIBBON (DB) (W Robinson) J Berry 8-6	–	3
14	00-0	REGAL GIFT (R Halling) R Thompson 8-6	D Mckeown 3	8
16	00-0000	ROSAGORE (P Shilton) B Richmond 8-6	A Proud	1

5-2 Jimmy Raine, 100-30 Celtic Bird, 5 Tradesman, 7 Ferryboat, 8 Song To Singo, 10 Silver Ribbon, 12 Master Broker, 14 others.

3.0 HUDDERSFIELD STAKES (2-y-o: £1,141: 7f) (7)

1	0001	BURBRIDGE DANCER (B) (Burbridge Sports) N Tinkler 9-4	L Charnock	3
3	12000	MANDOWN LAD (P Bourke) K Brassey 9-4	S Keightley 7	1
4	4144	MEESON GRANGE (B) (J Wilcox) J Berry 9-4	K Darley	5
5	044041	SAMS WOOD (B) (H Wright) T Fairhurst 9-4	R Elliott	4
6		BILLILOV (W Love) Denys Smith 8-11	M Fry 3	2
9	403	GREED (H Alexander) D Morley 8-11	G Duffield	7
11	3	FOSTON BRIDGE (M Wickham-Boynton) J Etherington 8-8	E Hide	6

7-4 Burbridge Dancer, 11-4 Meeson Grange, 5 Sams Wood, 8 Greed, 10 Mandown Lad, 12 Foston Bridge, 14 Billlov.

3.30 HALIFAX HANDICAP (£1,103: 1m 5f 180yd) (9)

1	001-340	SKYRAM (C) (Ld Hartington) D Morley 4-9-10	M Birch	2
4	403412	SCOTTISH DREAM (D Redhead) G Richards 5-9-3 (3 ex)	–	6
5	0-00440	BLAKEY BANK (CD) (I J Blakey Haulage) Hbt Jones 4-9-2	P Young	7
6	431/	COURT CAVALIER (J Simpson) D Yeoman 6-92	–	9
9	042001	LIBERTY WALK (C) (G Whorton) H Wharton 4-8-12 (3 ex)	–	5
11	0113	LOVE OF A GUNNER (DB) (Mrs P Barratt) S Norton 3-8-11	J Lowe	4
14	00302-0	EXCAVATOR LADY (F Hines) Mrs M Nesbitt 4-8-0	S Webster	1
16	000-000	AL KHASHAB (P Barrett) R Hollinshead 6-7-13	Paul Eddery	3
17	30000-u	MARKIE (K Bebbington) R E Peacock 7-7-13	–	8

11-4 Liberty Walk, 3 Scottish Dream, 11-2 Blakey Bank, 6 Love Of A Gunner, 8 Skyram, 10 Excavator Lady, 12 Al Khashab, 14 others.

4.0 DEWSBURY MAIDEN STAKES (maidens: £828: 1m 4f 40yd) (15)

1	03	EASY LISTENING (B) (A Plant) C Mackenzie 4-9-7	J Lowe	4
2		FORLORN PRINCE (Mrs D Swinnerton) W Clay 4-9-7	–	5
3	20/0-02	TANCRED WALK (W Barker) Miss S Hall 4-9-7	M Birch	2
4	00-	TIPTONIAN (D Hill) T Taylor 4-9-7	W Morris 7	1
6		COCKED HAT PIPPIT (Cocked Hat Farm Foods) Miss S Hall 4-9-4	O Gray	8
9	0	PIXIE'S PARTY (W Chambers) Miss A King 6-9-4	R Adams 7	7
10		PORTERS GIRL (J Thorp) J Townson 4-9-4	–	3
13	30-0303	GAMON (B) (A Snipe) B Hills 3-8-8	R Fox	15
15	0-00000	PEARLPIN (G Pemberton) R Whitaker 3-8-8	P Young	6
17	0000	SAUSAGE (G Beccle) D Morley 3-8-8	P D'Arcy	10
23	020-030	PEROVSKIA (B Olter) J FitzGerald 3-8-5	M Wood	12
24	030-0	SANDY LOOKS (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 3-8-5	–	9
25	43	SEA CHARM (Lady Bolton) J W Watts 3-8-5	E Hide	11
26		SERAPHIM (W West) M Prescott 3-8-5	C Nutter	13
27		SHAWNEE (Ld H de Walden) H Cecil 3-8-5	N Day	14

11-10 Shawnee, 7-2 Sea Charm, 5 Gamon, 8 Seraphim, 10 Sandy Looks, 12 Tancred Walk, 14 others.

4.30 WAKEFIELD HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,272: 1m 4f 40yd) (7)

1	0-21422	BULLOM (Mrs J Park) Denys Smith 9-7	D Leadbitter 7	4
2	300-002	OPINEBO (Mrs C Anthony) D Morley 9-3	P D'Arcy	6
6	0-00000	CARNEADES (B) (P Bull) M H Easterby 8-13	K Hodgson	3
7	120033	ONWARDLEE (D Scott) S Norton 8-13	J Lowe	7
8	0-13322	EVERSEAL (J Maxwell) G Hunter 8-11	M Birch	5
11	403-00	INCENSE (E Collingwood) J Etherington 8-8	J Seagrave	1
12	00-p3	CHINA PEAK (D Schwartz) B Hills 8-6	R Fox	2

2 China Peak, 7-2 Everseal, 4 Onwardlee, 5 Opinebo, 6 Bullom, 10 others.

Catterick selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 Southern Venture. 2.30 Ferryboat. 3.0 Mandown Lad. 3.30 Love Of A Gunner. 4.0 Shawnee. 4.30 China Peak.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Quite Alert. 4.0 Shawnee.

Sandown selections

By Michael Phillips
6.15 Rigidski. 6.45 Northern Tempest. 7.15 Band. 7.45 Tetron Bay. 8.15 Durandal. 8.45 Azara.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.15 Rididski. 6.45 Northern Tempest. 7.45 St Pedro. 8.15 Jana. 8.45 Dancing Admiral.

● Esal Bookmakers yesterday had support for Lehmi Gold at 20-1 for the King George and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, he is now 16-1. Other prices 5-2 Sun Princess, and Caerleon, 6-4 Time Charter, 10-1 Diamond Shoal, 11-1 Quilted, 12-1 Awaasif, 20-1 All Along, and Lancastrian, 25-1 Khairpour and 33-1 Old Country.

Sandown Park

Draw advantage: low numbers best.
Tote: double 7.15, 8.15. Treble: 6.45, 7.45, 8.45.

6.15 AYLESBURY STAKE (2-y-o maidens: £1,752: 5f) (7 runners)

1		ALSUFUUH (Handan Al-Maktoum) C Benstead 9-0	–	5
5	00003	DUNANT (W Gredley) C Brittain 9-0	L Piggott	2
8	2000	JOHNNY FRENCHMAN (Mrs D Strauss) R Hannon -0	A McGlone 3	1
9	30	MANTEL OAK (R Tikkoo) G Hunter 9-0	G Starkey	6
11	40	RIGIDSKI (T Waterman) J Winter 9-0	Pat Eddery	3
12	000	SPEAK NOBLY (T Upton) W Guest 9-0	B Rouse	4
13	000	COSTALOTTA (C Mitas) B Swift 8-11	R Fox	7

13-8 Dunnant, 3 Speak Nobly, 5 Rigidski, 6 Mantel Oak, 8 Johnny Frenchman, 10 Alsufuuh, 16 Costalotta.

6.45 MILBURN STAKES (2-y-o: £3,306: 7f) (10)

2	401	ANYTHING ELSE (D) (J Horgan) R Hannon 9-1	Pat Eddery	1
3	00	BEAUFORTWOOD (B) (R Bonnycastle) B Hills 8-11	G Stakey	7
5	0	EASTERN LEGEND (A Perry) D Whelan 8-11	J Reid	10
6	340d0	HOUSE HUNTER (D Humphery) R Simpson 8-11	S Whitworth 7	5
7	03	LAURENBEL (L Wadge) R Hannon 8-11	A McGlone 3	4
8	044	LAURIE'S PANTHER (L James) D Elsworth 8-11	B Rouse	2
9	4402	MELLOW DANCE (D) (Esal 'Commodities) P Kelleway 8-11	–	6
11	0	NORTHERN TEMPEST (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-11	W R Swinburn	8
12	0	RISKY MAC (I Matthews) C Brittain 8-11	A Barclay	9
13	0	SUPERBOWL (E Landi) J Dunlop 8-11	W Carson	3

2 Anything Else, 10-30 Mellow Dance, 5 Northern Tempest, 7 Superbowl, 9 Laurie's Panther, 10 House Hunter, 16 others.

7.15 BROOKLANDS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £3,381: 1m 3f 100yd) (5)

2	0-02142	FLOUT (C) (K Abdulla) J Tree 9-7	Pat Eddery	2
3	24-21	BAND (R Hollingworth) W Hern 9-7 (5 ex)	W Carson	5
5	001300	LYMINSTER (Mrs N Graham) J Dunlop 9-5	J Mercer	1
10	0391	KESSLIN (I Jewel) N Vigors 8-5	W R Swinburn	4
11	010003	HARBOUR BRIDGE (Mrs R Kennard) W Wightman 8-2	B Rouse	3

8-4 Brand, 3 Flout, 5 Kesslin, 6 Lyminster, 7 Harbour Bridge.

7.45 PETTICOAT LANE HANDICAP (£2,137: 1m) (7)

1	031100	YOUNG DANIEL (CD) (F Wicks) A Moore 5-10-0 (8 ex)	B Rouse	2
2	400101	UPLANDS PARK (Uplands Park Stud) C Brittain 4-9-11 (5 ex)	P Bradwell 5	1
3	220-003	ON EDGE (D) (N Stephens) J Spearing 6-9-10	W R Swinbrn	3
7	2-02121	TETREON BAY (D) (R Shannon) R Hannon 3-8-3 (5 ex)	W Carson	7
8	000214	ST PEDRO (B) (CD) (Mrs I Griggs) E Eldin 5-8-2	A Mackay	4
9	210-000	MAURITZFONTEIN (C) (H Oppenheimer) H Candy 4-8-1	J Matthias	5
12	20320-3	MATCH MASTER (J Stafford) C Nelson 4-7-9	B Crossley	6

11-4 Tetron Boy, 100-30 Uplands Park, 5 Young Daniel, 13-2 On Edge, 7 Mauritzfontein, 9 St Pedro, 12 Match Master.

8.15 SAVILE ROW HANDICAP (£2,996: 5f) (9)

1	10-0440	CEE BAY (D) (D Spencer) J Spearing 4-9-10	W R Swinburn	6
2	0-00003	SANU (CD) (R Tikkoo) F Durr 5-9-9	G Starkey	5
3	110-000	INDIAN LADY (D) (Esal 'Commodities) G Lewis 3-9-3	G Sexton	4
5	001110	SAINT CRESPIN BAY (D) (P Davies) R Hannon 4-8-12 (7 ex)	Pat Eddery	2
6	000102	MANILOW (CD) (C Hughesdon) B Swift 6-8-11	G Dickie 7	1
7	142102	LOCHTILLUM (D) (J Douglas-Home) J Douglas-Home 4-8-4	J Johnson	9
8	0-00131	ST TERRAMAR (B) (D) (N Sarif) D Jermy 8-8-1 (7 ex)	B Crossley	8
9	0-00244	TELEGRAPH BOY (D) (B) (Mrs S Maxwell) S Woodman 5-7-12	–	7
10	000002	DURANDAL (CD) (R Harris) D Wilson 6-7-10	B Crossley	3

100-30 Durandal, 4 Manilow, 5 Sanu, 13-2 Saint Crespin Boy, 8 Indian Lady, 10 Lochtillum, St Terramar, 12 Cree Bay, 14 Telegraph Boy.

8.45 TWICE TIMES STAKES (3-y-o: £1,735: 1m 6f) (7)

1	001	BRITISH (CD) (Lady Beaverbrook) W Hern 8-10	W Carson	2
2	00-41	DANCING ADMIRAL (D) (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-10	Pat Eddery	3
3	40-241	AZARA (J Heyworth) H Candy 8-7	J Matthias	4
4	421	WESTVIEW (L Freedman) H Cecil 8-7	L Piggott	5
6	0-	FLEETING KNIGHT (P Windfield) J Dunlop 8-6	B Rouse	6
7	0-402	FORTUNE'S GUEST (J McCaughey) R Simpson 8-6	B Jago	1
13	40	SLINDON (P Wright) S Woodman 8-6	J Johnson	7

6-4 British, 3 Westview, 4 Dancing Admiral, 6 Fortune's Guest, 7 Azara, 9 Fleeting Knight, 14 Slindon.

Folkestone results

Going: Firm

1.45 HAM STREET STAKES (3-y-o: maidens: £853: 1m 4f)

HOLMBURY c h by Quack – Riganda (Z Al-Kulaib) 9-0 ... M Miller (13-2) 1
Jet Sioux ... J Mercer (33-1) 2
Epatlea ... G Starkey (100-30) 3

TOTE: Win: £14.60. Places: £1.80, £7.60, £1.70. DF: £342.70. CSF: £179.37. G Haffler at Newmarket. ½ l, hd. Feather Flower (2-1fav). Wildhorn (8-1) 4th. 13 ran. NR: Asia A La Carte.

2.15 'COAST TO COAST' STABLE AWARD HANDICAP (£983: 2m 100yd)

WILLIAM BLAKE b c by Blakeney – Partial Glance (Mrs D Riley-Smith) 4-9-7 ... Pat Eddery (2-1 fav) 1
Al Nasr ... W R Swinburn (11-2) 2
[illegible] ... R Fox (13-2) 3

TOTE: Win: £2.80. Places: £1.80, £1.00, £3.20. DF: £5.20. CSF: £13.07. J Dunlop at Arundel. 5l, ½l. Caro Nome (20-1) 4th. 13 ran.

2.45 WOODCHURCH STAKES (2-y-o: selling: £841: 5f)

PANIC STATIONS b g by Red Alert – Darlana (Mrs P Makin) 8-11 ... Pat Eddery (8-4) 1
Mrs Three Shoes ... S Whitworth (33-1) 2
Dramatic ... B Rouse (5-4 on fav) 3

TOTE: Win: £3.30. DF: £8.20. CSF: £23.38. P Makin at Marlborough. 2l, 6l. Archway Sparkle (9-2) 4th. 4 ran. NR: Electric Fairy.

3.15 TENTERDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-y-o: maidens: £727: 6f)

STORMCHASER b c by Abwah – White Cliffs (G Sanger) 8-10 ... J Reid (7-2) 1
Record Supreme ... B Rouse (9-2) 2
Trish-Trash ... G Starkey (6-1) 3

TOTE: Win: £4.00. Places: £1.50, £2.40, £1.10. DF: £8.60. CSF: £20.77. A Beasley at Lewis. ½l, 2l. Sweet Sonja (100-30 fav) 4th. 10 ran. NR: Dancing Feet, Touchy Miss.

3.45 ROMNEY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,000: 5f)

SPRING PASTURES b c by Thatching – Jenny (Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin) 9-7 ... B Taylor (11-2) 1
Tislamee ... B Rouse (7-2 jt fav) 2
Dellwood Iris ... S Jewell (7-2 jt fav) 3

TOTE: Win: £6.50. Places: £2.30, £1.60, £1.20. DF: £7.80. CSF: £23.67. J Winter at Newmarket. 1½l, sh hd. Peanday (9-2) 4th. 8 ran. NR: Janicolane.

4.15 AHADDOXHURST HANDICAP £1,189: 1m 2f)

LEONIDAS ch g by Exclusive Native – Double Think (G Ward) 5-9-11 ... M Hills (85-40 fav) 1
Holmbury Lad ... A McGlone (8-1) 2
Stonehenge ... D McKay (9-2) 3

TOTE: Win: £2.20. Places: £1.00, £1.60, £1.30. DF: £13.60. CSF: £17.75. D Arbuthnot at Eastbury. 5l, 1½l. Minus Man (3-1) 4th. 8 ran.

PLACEPOT: £95.15.

STATE OF GOING: Hamilton: firm. Catterick: firm. Yarmouth: good to firm. Sandown: firm.

BLINKERS FIRST TIME: Catterick 2.30 Averayr. 4.0 Gamon. 4.30 Carneades. Yarmouth 2.45 Bellamay. 3.15 Sugar Loch, Tarleton Elm. 4.15 Aboushabun. 4.45 Malacca Street. Hamilton 6.45 Mr Meeka. 7.15 Northern Hills.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Seaton Delaval Stakes Newcastle: Balaash, Majuba Hill, Zaytoon, Nicole's Chief, Top Ranker, No Clasque, Brig Chop, Turn Shy, Valedictor, Wing And A Prayer, Joli Wasfi, Caro's Gift, Cinquieme Roue, Sterling Virtue, Special Settlement. Carol Bookmakers Handicap Stakes Haydock: Gunrips Centenary. Geoffrey Freer Stakes Newbury: Condell, Disturbance Money. Yorkshire Oaks York: Glasson Lady. Great Voltigeur Stakes York: Jazz Me Blues. All Engagments (Dead): Crydon, Versey Royal, Che King, Peapock Lauderhill, Silver Venture.

Yarmouth

Draw: No advantage.
Tote: Double 3.15, 4.15. Treble 2.45, 3.45, 4.45

2.15 COTEMAN STAKES (2-Y-O maiden fillies: £1,035: 7f) (12 runners)

2	4	CHACONIA F Durr 8-11	P Cook	8
3		FIRST GROOM B Hanbury 8-11	P Hamblett	12
5		HEDGE CUTTER A Hide 8-11	R Curant	10
6	0	HONEY M Jarvis 8-11	B Raymond	3
7		ILLE D'AMOUR G P-Gordon 8-11	R Cochrane	9
8	0	LADY SCOTT H Collingridge 8-11	M Miller	2
9	0	LITTLE TOWN FLIRT D Laing 8-11	–	1
12	0	MISS FELHAM A Cawley 8-11	B Crossley	5
13	0	RAZOUMOVA C Brittain 8-11	–	11
14	0	SHADILIYA M Stoute 8-11	W R Swinburn	7
15		TIMES W O'Gorman 8-11	T Ives	4
16		VERNAIR J Hindley 8-11	B Taylor	6

9-4 Shadiliya, 11-4 Chaconia, 9-2 Vernair, 6 Little Town Flirt, 8 Honey, 10 Times, 12 Razoumova, 20 others.

2.45 DAWSON TURNER STAKES (2-Y-O selling: £640: 5f 25yd) (6)

2	030	FRED A Bailey 8-11	–	1
3	000	ABLE DAN P Brookshaw 8-8	M Miller	2
5	00	BELLAMAY (B) A Cawley 8-8	W Ryan 5	4
6	4313	DRAGONARA'S PET (B) K Ivory 8-8	E Guest 5	5
9	0000	ROOM FOR JILL G Blum 8-8	–	6
10	00	SHE'S LOUISE K Ivory 8-8	T Ives	3

7-4 Dragonara's Pet, 3 Fred, 9-2 Able Dan, 6 She's Louise, 8 Bellamay, 12 Room For Jill.

3.15 APPLEGATE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,138: 1m) (7)

1	0030	BOLD MOVER M Stoute 9-7	W R Swinburn	5
3	3030	SUGAR LOCH (B) (D) J Hindley 8-11	B Taylor	7
5	11-01	ROMAN BEACH (D) W Musson 8-9	L Piggott	6
7	2031	SWING TO ME C Brittain 8-8	P Robinson	2
8	000	MAGUS M Tompkins 7-10	–	4
9	0-002	WORLINGFOOT M Ryan 7-7	–	1
12	0000	TARLETON ELM (B) I Walker 7-7	A Clark 3	3

11-8 Roman Beach, 5-2 Worlingfoot, 4 Sugar Loch, 8 Swing To Me, 12 Bold Mover, 25 others.

3.45 MUNNINGS HANDICAP (£1,685: 1m 2f) (6)

1	3110	FAI LA BELLA (CD) L Cumani 4-9-10	L Piggott	5
2	0004	NORFOLK FLIGHT (CD) M Tomkins 5-9-0	R Curant	6
5	0-300	ROBOUT (B) A Cawley 4-8-8	W Ryan 5	3
6	0002	MYSTIC MARGARET (D) A Hide 4-8-6	P Bloomfield 5	4
8	000-0	QUEENSBURY STAR (D Dale 4-7-12	R Still	1
9	u230	MISS MALINOWSKI W Guest 3-7-12	B Crossley	2

15-8 Fai La Bella, 3 Mystic Margaret, 4 Norfolk Flight, 7 Miss Malinowski, 10 Robout, 12 Queensbury Star.

4:15 CROME STAKES (3-Y-O maidens: £1,331: 1m 6f) (9)

1	0040	ABOUSHABUN (B) G Huffer 9-0	M Miller	6
3	4430	FAYLASOUF (B) Thomson Jones 9-0	P Cook	1
4		NIGHT EYE F Durr 9-0	–	2
6	00-03	SHUTLAR'S FLING (I Walker 9-0	P Colquhoun	9
7	0003	UP THE ANTE G Wragg 9-0	B Crossley	8
9	0-	ENDOW F Durr 8-11	–	7
10	0	IVELOSTMYWAY L Cumani 8-11	W R Swinburn	3
12	0344	PEARL THYME B Hobbs 8-11	G Baxter	4
13	03-43	QUICKENING DAWN J Hindley 8-11	B Taylor	5

11-4 Quickening Dawn, 7-2 Shutler's Fling, 9-2 Up To Ante, 6 Pearl Thyme, 8 Faylasouf, 10 Endow, 12 Ivelostmyway, 20 others.

4.45 VINCENT HANDICAP (£1,329: 7f) (9)

1	01-04	DAWN'S DELIGHT K Ivory 5-9-11	B Taylor	5
2	1320	MALACCA STREET (B) (D) W O'Gorman 3-9-7	T Ives	7
3	0-000	KING OF SPEED (CD) D Weeden 4-9-3	S Jewell 7	9
4	0000-	MING VILLAGE R Armstrong 3-9-3	S Dennison 7	2
5	0-000	STERN (D) I Walker 7-9-1	R Cochrane	3
6	0-103	KRAKOW (D) M Stoute 3-8-13	W R Swinburn	8
7	0000-	RENOVATE (B) G Huffer 6-8-11	M Miller	4
13	4020	RAWLINSON END (D) D Laing 5-8-5	R Curant	1
18	0300	GALLEA (CD) W Guest 5-8-1	P Cook	6

4-5 Krakow, 4 Malacca Street, 6 Dawn's Delight, 8 Stern, 10 Rawlingson End, 12 Gallea, 16 others.

Ayr results

Going: Good to firm

2.30 ALLOWAY STAKES (2-y-o: maiden fillies: £893: 5f)

WOW WEE WOO gr f by Dragonara Palace – Loe Always (Hillfields Farming) 8-8 ... D McKeown (5-1) 1
Vanishing Trick ... J Seagrave (5-1) 2
Colossal ... G Duffield (4-1) 3

TOTE: Win: £5.70. Places: £2.00, £2.00. DF: £18.20. CSF: £24.69. E Witts at Reading. 2l, ½l. Over Bowled (5-4 fav) 4th. 6 ran. 1m 00.55sec.

3.0 STRATHCLYDE STAKES (2-y-o: £3,882: 6f)

BREGA BOY b c by Kala Shikara – Vivaz (R Burke) 9-0 ... R Elliott (100-30) 1
Jaalc ... R Curant (9-2) 2
Masjid ... P Cook (11-10 fav) 3

TOTE: Win: £5.90. Places: £1.20, £2.30. DF: £6.10. CSF: £16.80. T Fairhurst at Middleham. nk, hd. Sperrin Mist (10-1) 4th. 6 ran. 1m 13.84sec.

3.30 SOUTER JOHNIE HANDICAP (£2,561: 1m)

DANISH EXPRESS ch c by Music Boy – Ptarmigan (Lt-Col R Warden) 4-8-6 ... M Birch (5-1) 1
Wibis Range ... E Guest (4-1) 2
Ring Bidder ... Paul Eddery (7-1) 3

TOTE: Win: £5.30. Places: £1.90, £1.50, £1.50. DF: £6.70. CSF: £22.21. M H Easterby at Great Habton. ½l, sh hd. Vain Deb (100-30 fav) 4th. 8 ran. 1m 41.93sec.

4.0 BUTE HANDICAP (Selling: £647: 1m 2f)

ROSE GLOW ch f by Moulton– Blakewood (W Raynolds) 3-8-11 ... M Wood (2-1 fav) 1
Fair Kalima ... A Mackay (6-1) 2
Tree-Dy-Lioear ... E Hide (6-1) 3

TOTE: Win: £3.20. Places: £2.50, £2.70. DF: £9.40. CSF: £12.31. J Fitzgerald at Malton. ½l, ½l. Miss Abwah (12-1) 4th. 7 ran. No bid. 2m 13.99sec.

4.30 DUMFRIES HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,888: 7f)

KING OF ROCK ch c by Music Boy – Visitation (Esal Ltd) 9-1 ... G Sexton (5-2 jt fav) 1
Rely On Guy ... W Ryan (4-1) 2
Fashion Lover ... J Lowe (5-2 jt fav) 3

TOTE: Win: £3.20. Places: £1.70, £2.40. DF: £5.00. CSF: £11.56. P Haslam at Newmarket. 4l, 4l. The Grey Buck (7-1) 4th. 1m 26.85sec.

5.0 KIRKOSWALD STAKES (£1,276: 1m 5f)

ABSAROKE ch c by Crow – Scarlet My Dear (Mr W Du Pont III) 3-8-7 ... E Hide (3-1) 1
Misty Halo ... G Duffield (11-8) 2
Amber Heights ... E Johnson (8-1) 3

TOTE: Win: £3.10. Places: £1.80, £1.30. DF: £2.50. CSF: £7.17. G Pritchard-Gordon. 2l, ½l. Special Trust (10-1) 4th. 2m 50.25sec.

PLACEPOT: £87.25.

Hamilton Park

Draw advantage: high numbers best

6.45 WALLACE STAKES (2-y-o: maidens: £781: 6f) (5 runners)

4	00	ARIKARA P Haslam 9-0	T Rogers	1
9		GUY'S GOLD M Prescott 9-0	G Duffield	3
10	0	KUWAIT DAY G Huffer 9-0	M Rimmer 3	2
12	00	MR MEEKA (B) S Norton 9-0	C Ollivier 5	4
13	0400	PALACE ROCKET P Brookshaw 9-0	S Parks	5

7-4 Mr Meeka, 11-4 Arikara, 9-2 Guy's Gold, 7 Kuwait Day, 10 Palace Rocket.

7.15 LOWTHER HANDICAP (2-y-o: £840: 5f) (8)

1	3200	NORTHERN HILLS (B) G Richards 9-7	M Wigham	6
3	3030	OAK POOL N Tinkler 9-5	M Hindley 7	5
4	2112	BLACKPOOL BELLE (CD) J Berry 9-4	S Horsfall 7	4
7	0003	CROWFOOT'S COUTURE P Brookshaw 9-2	S Parks	8
8	3011	SANDY CAP (CD) W H Williams 9-0	–	1
9	0300	TRACK ROYAL P Calver 8-6	M Fry 3	2
10	0103	CHOCOLATE ECLAIR (D) W Bentley 8-0	N Carlisle 3	3
11	0222	SINGLE PORTION M Pipe 7-9	R Lines 5	7

6-4 Blackpool Belle, 5-2 Sandy Cap, 4 Single Portion, 6 Northern Hills, 9 Chocolate Eclair, 12 others.

7.45 HAMILTON HANDICAP (£1,247: 5f) (7)

2	4041	RUSSIAN WINTER (CDB) A W Jones 8-10-0 (7 ex)	T Rogers	4
4	1001	BETTABET GERAGHTY (CB) G Huffer 5-9-5	W Morris 7	2
6	0430	CENTRAL CARPETS (D) R Stubbs 4-9-0	J O'Reilly 7	7
7	0000	CALEDONIAN (DB) R Stubbs 7-8-8	G Duffield	5
9	3212	BELLA TRAVAILLE (CD) R Hobson 5-8-2	M Fry 3	1
10	0211	KING CHARLEMAGNE (D) Mrs G Reveley 4-8-1 (7 ex)	S Horsfall 7	3
11	040-0	GERARDINA'S BOY (DB) C Mackenzie 4-7-12	–	6

2 King Charlemagne, 11-4 Bettabet Geraghty, 4 Russian Winter, 11-2 Bella Travaille, 7 Central Carpets, 10 others.

8.15 BONNINGTON STAKES (selling: £620: 1m 1f 10yd) (6)

2	4003	BOY SANDFORD (CD) C Bell 4-8-11	N Carlisle 3	5
5	0030	KNIGHTHALL A W Jones 5-8-11	D Nicholls	6
6	0000	ROYAL-RED W H Williams 5-8-11	–	2
10	0300	MISS ABWAH J S Wilson 4-8-8	–	4
12		SPRING CRACKER J Townson 8-8-8	–	3
14	0	BIRDS OF A FEATHER C Thornton 3-7-11	K Darley	1

Evens Boy Sandford, 3 Knighthall, 5 Miss Abwah, 8 Royal Red, 12 others.

8.45 COREHOUSE HANDICAP (£1,278: 1m 40yd) (2)

2	3020	QEMLAS (C) G Huffer 3-9-10	M Rimmer 3	1
6	00-23	SHOEBUTTON Mrs G Reveley 4-8-11	S Horsfall 7	2

4-9 Qemlas, 13-8 Shoebutton.

9.15 ROSS STAKES (3-y-o: maidens: £706: 1m 4f) (3)

2	0220	CHIC BOUTIQUE B Hanbury 9-0	G Duffield	2
6	22	LOYAL SUBJECT W Elsey 9-0	C Dwyer	3
7	000	MR MCGIFF S Norton 9-0	C Ollivier 5	1

5-8 Loyal Subject, 5-4 Chic Boutique, 8 Mr McGiff.

Hamilton selections

By Our Racing Staff
6.45 Mr Meeka. 7.15 Single Portion. 7.45 King Charlemagne. 8.15 Birds Of A Feather. 8.45 Shoebutton. 9.15 Loyal Subject.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.45 Kuwait Day. 7.45 Bettabet Geraghty. 8.45 Qemlas. 9.15 Chic Boutique.

Yarmouth selection

By Michael Phillips
2.15 Honey. 2.45 Fred. 3.15 Roman Beach. 3.45 Mystic Margaret. 4.15 Quickening Dawn. 4.45 Krakow.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.15 Shadiliya. 2.45 Fred. 3.15 Worlingfoot. 3.45 Mystic Margaret. 4.15 Up The Ante. 4.45 King Of Speed.

● The four-day stage for Saturday's King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes are Diamond Shoal, Khairpour, Lancastrian, Lemhi Gold, Rocamadour, All Along, Awaasif, Time Charter, Caerleon, Carlingford Castle, Quilted, Solford and Sun Princess.

● Two racehorse trainer namesakes appear on the same card at Catterick today. The Doncaster-based Ron Thompson saddles Markham Girl in the opening Bradford Maiden Fillies Stakes, and half an hour later the other Ron Thompson, who trains at Bos in Wiltshire, runs Regal Gift in the Leeds Selling Handicap. The two Rons will be meeting for the first time.

● Among the 24 declared at the four day stage for Saturday's Baroda Stud Sprint at Phoenix Park are six from England – Diamond Cutter, Sylvan Barbarosa, Rutland, Solimile, Another Risk, and Jester.

Pentagon to hold big military manoeuvres in Honduras

From Philip Taubman (NYT) Washington

The Reagan Administration, as a warning to Cuba and Nicaragua, is planning two big military exercises within the next four weeks in Central America and the Caribbean.

Officials said that the exercises, which will involve ground, air and naval forces, would be officially described as routine. They said privately, however, that they had recently been ordered by the White House, and were intended to signal that the United States has the means to stop the shipment of military supplies from Cuba to Nicaragua.

President Reagan has not ruled out the possibility of establishing a military quarantine around Nicaragua at a later date, according to senior officials.

They added that the President and his advisers regarded a quarantine as a last resort if other forms of diplomatic and military pressure failed to persuade the Cubans to stop the shipments.

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Secretary of Defence, has said that a blockade of Nicaragua would require a major commitment of United States forces, and defence Department officials, many of whom oppose such a move, have argued that it would drain American military resources from other parts

In a speech on Central America on Monday, President Reagan said that more Cuban and Soviet supplies had arrived in Nicaragua and this could not be allowed to continue. The Administration has accused Nicaragua of transferring the supplies to guerrillas in El Salvador.

Officials said that the land exercises, which will take place in Honduras, would be similar to joint American-Honduran manoeuvres last autumn, in which United States Air Force aircraft carried Honduran troops to the border with Nicaragua.

Renewed fighting in Nicaragua

Nicaragua has reported fresh fighting deep inside its territory after alleging that Honduras has massed nearly 12,000 US-backed troops along its northern border. (Reuter reports from Managua). The Defence Minister gave details of new clashes on Monday night, only hours before the fourth anniversary of Nicaragua's left-wing revolution.

Nicaraguan right-wing rebels, described as "freedom fighters" by President Reagan, predicted large-scale attack to coinside with the anniversary.

The Defence Ministry said that 27 rebels and one Nicaraguan soldier died in three separate clashes in the central department of Matagalpa and in Zelaya, on the Caribbean coast.

Berlinguer seeking new set-up in Italy

From Peter Nichols Rome

President Pertini of Italy, is due to begin formal consultations with political leaders today about whom to invite to form a new government.

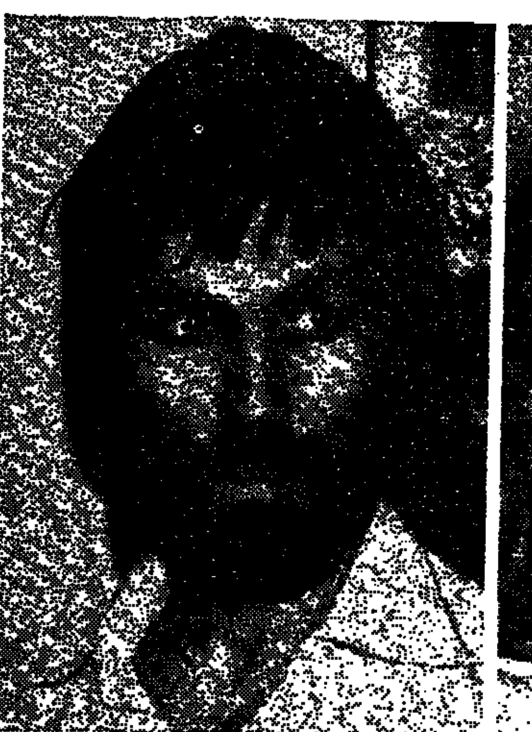
The general opinion is that his first choice will have to be Signor Bettino Craxi, Secretary of the Socialist Party. The Christian Democrats, who remain the largest party despite their losses at the general election last month, have not publicly objected to the prospect of a Socialist prime minister.

At their national council on Monday, Signor Ciriaco de Mita, the Christian Democratic Party Secretary, did not mention any names. He stated that he would want the formation of a five-party coalition, with the Communists kept distinctly in opposition.

At the same time Signor Enrico Berlinguer, the Communist Party secretary, told his Central Committee that he would oppose the formation of another such coalition which in his opinion had proved inadequate to meet the country's difficulties.

Mystery illness

Madrid (AFP). – Four senior Spanish Army officers, including a general, have died recently of a mysterious "respiratory infection" which has been compared to Legionnaire's Disease, the press reported.





The kidnappers of Emannela Orlandi, aged 15, the daughter of a Vatican employee (above, *right*), have threatened to kill her today unless Mehmet Ali Agca, (also pictured above), the Turkish gunman who attempted to assassinate the Pope two years ago, is freed (Reuter reports from Rome).

A special telephone link, with a secret dialling code, was set up for the kidnappers to contact Cardinal Agostino Casaroli, the Vatican Secretary of State, but no message was received

No firm proof has yet been given that the alleged kidnappers are holding the girl.

Unita attacks in Angola could endanger Britons

By Patricia Clough

The lives of British security men working in diamond mines in north-eastern Angola could be endangered in attacks planned by Unita, the Angolan insurgent movement, Sir James Scott-Hopkins, a British member of the European Parliament, said yesterday.

Sir James, who had just returned from a five-day fact-finding visit to Unita with three other MEPs, said its leader, Mr Jonas Savimbi, told them he had 3,000 well-armed troops preparing to attack the mines, which are in a Government-controlled area.

Mr Savimbi, he said, was very worried about the Britons who had been brought in to try and stem smuggling. He was anxious that they should come to no harm.

He said he was planning to warn the Foreign Office and De Beers, the diamond company which still owns a small share in the nationlized mines. A spokesman for De Beers said all was quiet so far in the area.

New names for old

Why Bombay resists tide of change

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

There is a positive passion in India, as in many former colonial countries, to rename roads, places, buildings, and towns.

Curzon Road in Delhi is now called after Mahatma Gandhi's wife. Chowringhee Road in Calcutta is officially entitled Jawaharlal Nehru Road. Marine Drive in Bombay is called on maps, and almost nowhere else, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bnose Road. Benares is called Varabarsi, Poona had become Pune, and even Baroda has become Vadodara.

But a move to change the name of the biggest commercial centre of them all is being resisted. Bombay contributes almost a third of the total income tax collected in the country, and half of the customs and excise duty. It provides ten per cent of the nation's employment and 13 per cent of its factory output.

Who would recognize it, the objectors cry, if you called is "Mumbai"?

The first inhabitant of one of the seven islands that make up the present day metropolis was a little-known goddess called Mumbadevi. Fishermen from the Koli tribe, who inhabited its monsoon-green slopes, and whose descendants still hawk their wares around the tarmac and concrete of today, called their home Mumbai in her honour.

When the Portuguese arrived in the sixteenth century and received the right to establish a trading post there from the local sultan they turned the name to Bom Bahia – good bay.

A century later Catharine de Braganza married Charles II of England, and to enhance her attraction in his eyes brought Bom Bahia with her as dowry. It was short work to anglicize it to Bombay.

In Marathi and Gujerati, the local tongues, the city is still known as Mumbai. Only in English is it Bombay. A local party of Marathi regionalists called Shiv Sena (named after the robber baron who became ruler of the area, held off both the Moguls and the British and so became a local hero) moved that the name be changed officially.

The proposal has received serious backing, but was eventually turned down by the central Government on the ground that the city had risen to world importance as Bombay and so it should stay that way.

There the matter rests, but not for long. A leader of the Shiv Sena has promised to continue the struggle. After all, he says, if Peking can still attain world recognition as Beijing why should Bombay do less.

Prisoners swop

Bangkok (Reuter) – China and Vietnam have exchanged detainees, according to the Vietnam news agency. It said 13 Chinese, arrested for intruding into Vietnamese territory, were exhanged for 10 Vietnamese.

Cancún on talks agenda

From John Carlin, Mexico City

In a prompt response to the Conatdora group's summit meeting in Cancún on Sunday, the foreign ministers of four Central American countries were to meet for talks yesterday in Guatemala.

The Guatemalan government announced on Monday that the foreign ministers of Honduras, El Salvador and Costa Rica would meet their Gautemalan counterpart to discuss the latest developments in Central America, a clear reference the "Cancún Declartion for Peace" put out by the Contadora Presidents on Sunday.

Nicaragua, the fifth Central American country involved in the regional crisis, was not to be represented at the meeting. Father Miguel D'Escoto, the Nicaraguan Foreign Minister, was attending the celebrations in Managua of the fourth anniversary of the Sandinista revolution.

Kissinger selection draws fire

From Christopher Thomas Washington

Old liberal and conservative foes of Dr Henry Kissinger yesterday assailed his appointment as head of a presidential commission on Central America.

The former Secretary of State, whose views on the region coincide broadly with President Reagan's, quietly disappeared from public view as the controversy flared.

The bipartican commission has been given a mandate to make recommendations on United States policy in Central America by December 1, but there is little likelihood that any notable shift in direction will be mooted.

Dr Kissinger opposes any cut in United States military aid to l Salvador and would favour a military presence on the Honduras-Nicaraguan border if present American aid to rebels in Nicaragua were to prove untenable.

The flurry caused by Dr Kissinger's appointment came as no surprise, given the extensive controversy he provoked as National Security Adviser to President Nixon and as Secretary of State under Mr Nixon and President Ford.

Mr Richard Viguerie, publisher of *The Conservative Digest* and a leading right-wing Washington activist, said Dr Kissinger "was the nation's No 1 foreign policy official when US foreign policy virtually collapsed, leading to the loss of Angola, Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia".

Mr Howard Baker, the Senate Republican leader, was heavy in his praise of Dr Kissinger but Mr Clement Zablocki, the Democratic chairman of the House foreign affairs committee, said the appointment would not help Mr Reagan regain credibility with the American people,

Delay likely on Argentine war report

From Andrew Thompson Buenos Aires

The report on Argentina's conduct of the Falklands war prepared by a military commission of inquiry, which is due to be completed this month, may be delayed yet again.

The inter-forces commission, headed by a retired officer, General Banjamin Rattenbach, has been investigating the conduct of the military junta and senior officials during the South Atlantic confict last year.

Sources close to the commission have described its preliminary findings as "damning" for former President Leopoldo Galtieri and his two junta colleagues, as well as for Señor Nicanor Costa Méndez, the former Foreign Minister.

According to the leaks, the commission's report could lead to the demotion of General Galtieri, Admiral Jorge Isaac Anaya, and Brigadier Basilio Lami Dozo.

An internal Navy document obtained by a journalist suggests that publication of the report should be delayed. It says that its publication before the next General Assembly of the United Nations, due in New York in September, could weaken Argentina's international position.

If the report is delayed in this way, it is likely to be placed in the bands of a new civilian administration. Elections in Argentina are due in October.

● **Perón confusion:** Reports that Señora Isabel Perón, the former President and widow of General Juan Domingo Perón, is preparing a political comeback have sown confusion among the Party's presidential hopefuls.

Señora Perón has been living in exile in Spain, and is now on holiday in the coastal resort of Fuengirola. So far she has not intervened in the party's internal battle over the presidential nomination prior to next October's elections.

Britain has very bad day at bridge

From Keith Stanley, Wiesbaden

Britain had a very bad day in the open bridge championship, losing by 5-15 to a good Israel side and then being outplayed by an excellent Norwegian team minus 3-20. However, morale has not suffered and at half time in round five Britain lead Finland by 32 IMPs.

The highlight of the other matches in round four was the clash between Italy and Spain, two of the leading teams at this early stage. Italy won 17-3 to move into second place behind France.

Round four: Hungary 6, Romania 14; Netherlands 11, Finland 9; Switzerland 16, Belgium 4; Britain -3, Norway 20; Lebanon 20, Sweden 0; Turkey 10, Israel 10; Austria 8, Portugal 12; Italy 17, Spain 3; Luxembourg 0, Poland 20; France 17, Iceland 3; Denmark 7, Ireland 13; Germany 14, Yugoslavia 6.

Standings after four rounds: 1, France 69; 2, Italy 63; 3, Norway 58; 4, Switzerland 56½; 5, Spain 55½; 6, Poland 53½; 7, Belgium 50½; 8, Israel 50; 9, Lebanon 49; 10, Denmark 48; 11, Austria 43, Germany 43; 13, Hungary 41½; 14, Ireland 38, Romania 38; 16, The Netherlands 31½; 17, Turkey 28½; 18, Finland 23; 19, Yugoslavia 21½; 20, Portugal 20; 21, Britain 19; 22, Luxembourg 18½; 23, Sweden 15; 24, Iceland 10.

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SPECTRUM

Peter and John each have three children and like Mozart. Jean and Jean both hate thunder and love fudge. These are identical twins, separated at birth, and they fascinate scientists with the insights they provide into heredity and environment. **Alan Hamilton** and **Richard Evans** hear the tales of five reunited pairs.

The two of us . . .

When one of his students at the University of Minnesota brought Professor Thomas Bouchard a newspaper cutting, he was intrigued. It was the story of a pair of twins who had been reunited after 30 years of separation, and the coincidences were remarkable. They were extraordinarily alike and they both married not only first wives with the same name, but second wives with the same name.

It was a rare find, and Professor Bouchard invited the pair to the university in Minneapolis for an exhaustive series of medical and psychological tests. He realized that siblings of identical biological origin but entirely different upbringings could provide fruitful research into the evergreen argument over whether heredity or environment determines character.

The publicity surrounding that first case in 1979 brought many more pairs of reunited twins to the professor's door; he has now conducted detailed studies of 36 pairs of fraternal twins and 14 pairs of identical twins, many of them supplied by an English social worker, John Stroud.

Stroud, an official of Hertfordshire County Council social services department, has reunited 26 pairs of twins separated at birth or soon after, usually as a result of adoption of one or both of the pair. In almost every case the twins have been delighted to rediscover each other.

But after separation lasting as much as 50 years, are twins still as alike as peas in a pod? Even twins raised together can be far from identical in looks, character and temperament. But when *The Times* recently brought together 10 of the pairs reunited by Stroud, their stories were full of parallels and coincidences.

They are a unique group, their circumstances largely the product of the early years of adoption in the 1920s and 1930s when the separation of orphaned, unwanted or illegitimate twins was not uncommon. Nowadays social workers would separate twins only in the most exceptional cases, so the stories of the Stroud twins are a rare record.



● When Jean and Jean were reunited in 1981, after 51 years, they found they had been living only 25 miles apart in Essex, one in Harlow and the other in Great Bardfield.

They also found that they had married within six months of each other, to a Robert and a Roland, had their first children within three days, and now have three grandsons and one granddaughter each. Both discovered that they love rich tea biscuits and fudge and hate thunder-storms, vinegar and spiders.

Jean and Jean were born in Edmonton, north London. Jean One, the elder by half an hour, remained at home while Jean Two, who had been christened Yvonne, was adopted and given the name by her new parents in Enfield.

Jean Two: "I have no idea why I was adopted. Father was a Belgian, and a bit of a mysterious character."

Jean One, laughing: "Perhaps nobody wanted me; they probably thought I was the runty one."

Jean One: "I knew I had been born a



twin, because an old aunt used to tell me that there had been two of us."

Jean Two: "I found the adoption papers carrying my original name. I traced myself in the register of births at Somerset House, and I was amazed to find another entry immediately above mine, with the same surname and the same date of birth. I managed to get that birth certificate, and it proved I just had to be a twin."

Together, they laugh a lot, and joke about who will have the more grandchildren.

● Barbara Herbert and Daphne Goodship are, right down to their individually crooked little fingers, like the proverbial two peas in a pod.

Nicknamed the Giggle Sisters because of their constant outbursts of identical, raucous laughter, they walk, talk, dress and behave as if one. Blue is their favourite colour, for example; both love reading, family sagas in particular, and each buys the same novel at the same time, without the other's knowledge. . . .

The virtually endless list of similarities might seem to suggest the couple having been inseparable all their lives. Instead they were reunited for the first time in May 1979 – almost 40 years after they were born, 12 minutes apart, in Hammersmith hospital.

Their Finnish mother had travelled to England months before the outbreak of war intending to learn English, only to find she was eight weeks pregnant. Within weeks of their birth the two girls were separated and adopted.

Yet when they met on Kings Cross station four years ago it was as though the huge gap in their lives had never existed.

"It was like two friends meeting, as though we had always known each other," started Daphne.

"I was, by chance, standing right opposite the carriage she was in when the train stopped. I just said 'Hi'; it was as cool and calm as that," continued Barbara.

The twins have an uncanny habit throughout a conversation of one starting a sentence, the other completing it, and then, often as not, both saying "yes" in unison.

"We get an uncanny feeling, which is getting worse," Daphne observes. "The last time I was down staying with Barbara, she was talking to a friend. I was in a state where I felt as though I was up in the air looking down on myself. It was as though I was up in the air and Barbara was me, talking. It lasted a few seconds. It was uncanny . . . and I didn't like it."

Ask them what they have in common and they are in their element. Barbara went to school in the small Hampshire village of Silchester; years later Daphne and her husband moved to the area and four of their five children went to the same school. They both last moved house in 1976; their halls are the same colour; they have the same furniture; both have gardens with steps going down . . .

● Dorrie Breeden knew for as long as she can remember that she had a twin sister named Peggy, but it was only in May last year that they were reunited – more than 53 years after being separated in an east London workhouse.

They were born in 1928 during the depression, their mother an unmarried domestic servant, their father a Scottish merchant seaman. Dorrie, who had fair hair, was adopted within three weeks by a woman who had lost her own daughter and advertised for a similar little girl as a replacement. Peggy was sent to a children's home before being adopted.

After the 1976 law enabling adopted children to trace their real parents, Dorrie started the search for her twin. Different newspapers, television programmes and the Salvation Army were approached, without success. Then John Stroud heard of the quest and put them in touch. Both say they feel they have known each other all their lives.

With Peggy living in Pontefract and Dorrie in Southend, the only big differences between them appear to be due to the North/South divide. Peggy votes Labour, Dorrie Conservative. "We have got so much in common," says Dorrie. "The only alcohol either of us drinks is a snowball, and only on high days and holidays.

"You wouldn't normally pick up the phone and speak to someone you'd never seen or spoken to before for half an hour, non-stop," says Dorrie. "But we did when we were first put in touch. It was just gabble, gabble, gabble," added Peggy.

Dorrie: "The only thing Peggy wanted to know was if I was fat or not? When I said 'yes', she was as happy as a lark."

● When Peter Clark and John Watts are either side of a room, they do not strike you instantly as twins. When they are together, they could not be anything else. Their mannerisms are too alike, such as the *slowly developing grin when they tell a* story or the frown-and-pause before they answer a serious question.

Yet these two middle-aged men met for the first time only two and a half years ago, in November 1980.

Tall, slim and well-groomed but casual, it was easy to pigeon-hole them on first encounter as perhaps dons or solicitors.

"In fact, I'm the man from the Pru," Peter Clark said with that hesitant smile. "I'm an accountant," added his brother John.

The events that led to their reunion were set in train by Peter's wife Joan, after she had persuaded a diffident husband to let her try. All of which was to add up to a big surprise for John Watts because he had no idea that he had a twin.

The search began with a letter to the vicar of Lambourne, in Berkshire, the parish in which the boys were born. But John's adopted parents lived in North



London. The first real clue to his whereabouts came from a search of the electoral role at Camden town hall.

But John had moved to a village in Cambridgeshire. By chance, the landlady of the house in which he had last lived in North London had kept a letter written seven years before his sister-in-law made her inquiries.

They each have three children. Their tastes are shared in music (Mozart and Beethoven), biographical books, documentary television programmes and gardening as a hobby.

● Emily Irene Pugh and Alice Sheila Pugh were farmed out to separate adoptive parents when their mother died 10 days after their birth. The nine other children in the family stayed with their father. Emily became Jean Hadley and Alice became Sheila Barrell; they were reunited 16 months ago after 46 years.

Jean: "I wasn't at all happy when we were first brought together. It was the first time that I found out I'd been adopted, and I had grown so fond of my adoptive mother that I hated being told that she was not my real mother."

Sheila: "I always knew that I had been adopted; my new family never made any secret of it. And I always knew that I had a twin. I decided to try and trace her after seeing a TV programme about twins".

The two bear little physical resemblance, and have found few common traits, apart from a strong dislike of sewing. Jean is married with children, Sheila is single.

Jean: "Sheila is much more placid and sedate than I am, but I'm sure she has got a lot cheekier since she met me."

Sheila: "I have become a lot more confident since I met Jean."

moreover... Miles Kington

Mirage at the bottom of the garden

If a journalist starts an article with the words: "In this current, unending spell of hot, dry weather", it is a very good guarantee that between the time he writes the words and the time they appear in print, the weather will break and Britain become cool, wet and unendingly grey again. As we need the rain, though, I think it right to usher in a wet spell by using those very words.

In this current, unending spell of hot, dry weather, gardeners need different advice from the usual tips about watering and hosing. It's all very well telling them to throw washing-up water on the garden, but at a time when we are eating cherries and chewing cucumbers for every meal, there isn't a great deal of washing-up water around. So, here are a few real tips for hot-weather gardeners.

Cactus, Yuccas etc. Now is the time to root out rain-loving plants from your garden and replace them with desert growths such as cacti. The eight to ten foot high ones are the best, as they give a great deal of shade and flower delightfully every 30 years or so. They need no care or attention from gardeners: to put it another way, you can sit back in a deckchair reading a novel and when asked why you are not gardening, as you said you would, you can say: "On the contrary, I am engaged full-time in giving my succulents just the treatment they need."

Seeds. You have probably seen film on television of the Australian desert or the South African veldt full of brilliant flowers and then heard David Attenborough saying: "It only requires one shower of rain to turn an apparently empty desert into something like Kew gardens overnight." Now is the time to sow those flowers. Send up to the BBC Natural History Unit, saying: "Yes! Please rush me a giant packet of David Attenborough desert seeds which lie dormant for many years and then grow full-size overnight! I have paid my licence fee, and bought his book."

Garden hoses. Hoses are only illegal at the moment if used for water. They can also be used quite legally to create a wonderful fairy-light effect. Thread them through your trees, winding electric cable around them and dangling light sockets at intervals. Turn them on at night, and hey-presto – you have your own outdoor restaurant, just like that wonderful one you ate in one night in Ibiza and the children were so ill the next morning. Slip on the record you bought at the same time you know, the one which you got the band to sign, personally and which has been under the stairs since you got back from holiday.

Grass. In many parts of the world such as Africa and the USA lawns have been replaced by picturesque, easy-to-tend stretches of sand. Simply buy sand and spread it over your lawn, creating a novel, truly equatorial vista. For added authentic effect, half-bury broken Roman columns, bleached antlers, or rusty relics of some long-forgotten battle. If your garden is big enough, you may even be lucky enough to have your own mirages. There is nothing quite so delightful on a hot summer day as crawling on hands and knees along your sandy garden, croaking: "Water, water!", then going indoors to make a jug of Pimms.

Drinking holes. This unending spell of hot, dry weather is very cruel on wildlife; remember to leave out a large bowl of water for any passing hyena, camel, vulture or desert fox. If at night you should hear a commotion or scuffling round the water, stay indoors and leave well alone. Animals do not always recognize their benefactors in the dark.

Palm trees. Palms do not generally grow well enough in Britain to produce edible fruit. Better and quicker to buy a few coconuts and leave them lying half-hidden round the estate. If you miscalculate your crawl through the garden and become genuinely stranded through heat and exhaustion, before you get to that Pimms you may well be grateful for a life-restoring draught of coconut milk.

Lost German tourists. German travellers are generally more intrepid than the rest of us, and some experts say that no stretch of sand is complete without at least one parched citizen of Hamburg. In my experience, though, they are more trouble than they are worth, as they usually bring their family to stay later, in gratitude for being rescued.

Chain mail under the microscope

A magnifying apparatus has been turned on to the magnificent Anglo-Saxon helmet from York's Coppergate site, which last July was subjected to computerized tomography (a medical X-ray technique) on the body scanner in the local hospital. This time the object was to examine the curtain of chain mail that hung from the back of the helmet to protect the wearer's neck. The rings are only a few millimetres in diameter, and the York Archaeological Trust was anxious to find out how they were made.

There were, it was found, two kinds of rings in alternating rows. The first were made by bending a short length of iron wire into a circle, flattening the ends and punching a rivet hole through, which was then closed with a minuscule rivet. The problem with



these rings was that the metal on either side of the rivet hole was very thin, and tended to snap.

The second kind of ring was more sophisticated: the ends of the wire were overlapped and then forged together, giving a scarfed joint of great strength which is difficult to detect even with the X-ray photographs enlarging the rings to hundreds of times their actual size.

The helmet itself has become the cause of a local controversy. It is at present at the British Museum, where it is undergoing various analyses and some conservation treatment; since the York City Council has gone against expert archaeological and museological advice in insisting that the helmet be displayed in the Castle Museum, just outside the medieval city wall, the BM is charging it for the work done to make the piece displayable.

FINDINGS

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Cast iron



Another piece of ironworking research is reported from central China, where a number of stack-casting moulds and kilns in which the moulds were made have been excavated. In stack-casting, moulds are piled one above the other, and the molten iron trickles down from the "gate" at the top and fills up the moulds from the bottom. The spare metal that solidifies in the runners and sprues leading to the moulds is then broken off and the objects cleaned for despatch and use.

The Chinese used a "white" cast iron, high in carbon, and thus very hard, and consequently needed to keep the runners and sprues as narrow as possible to avoid enormous effort in breaking off the implements themselves. They accomplished this by heating the moulds in a kiln, and pouring in the molten iron while the mould was still hot.

The archaeologists at Wenxian in Henan, on the Huang-he River cleaned sets of the moulds of 2,000 years of dirt, relocated them with a protective layer of straw mud, and then heated them.

In the first experiment they were kept at a temperature of 300° centigrade for five hours before the molten iron was poured in. The resulting castings were found to be of low quality, with large holes and excessive shrinkage. Next, the moulds were heated to 600° centigrade for six hours, then allowed to cool to 300° before the iron was poured. All the castings were of high quality except a set of key wedges, which were quite thick, and could apparently have done with a bit more heat.

Another interesting discovery at Wenxian was a master mould: from which as many as 10,000 copies could have been made before the master showed serious wear. Assembly line production has a longer history than we think.

Phosphorus clues

The remains of prehistoric and later buildings can be confusing palimpsests of postholes: how can we work out the plans of the former structures and tell what they were used for?

One answer recently suggested is to sample for organic phosphorus: this is deposited within a living site by the gradual build-up of plant debris, food remains, faeces and urine. At the Romano-British farmstead site of Cefn Graeanog in Gwynedd, North Wales, J. S. Conway of the University College of North Wales at Bangor took soil samples at one-metre intervals from the floors of the excavated huts, and also from neighbouring fields, and then measured the total phosphorus content. The "contour maps" showing phosphorus levels were then subjected to the statistical manipulation of Trend Surface Analysis, which examined the variability in phosphorus distribution.

In one building the occupation was found to be confined to the central portion, suggesting beds or benches around the walls, and also indicated the location of the doorway. In another, a high level of phosphorus across the middle suggested two animal stalls, with a central drain down which animal urine flowed. A low level at one end is seen as the site of a manger which would prevent the animals trampling and evacuating there. A third building had two hearths marked by high phosphorus levels.

Occupation of buildings in general led to high phosphorus, while yards had low levels: even where functions cannot be as well documented as they were at Cefn Graeanog, postholes and phosphorus together should make the definition of ancient buildings much easier.



Lice on ice

One of man's less welcome cohabitants, the body louse, has been identified from a site in Greenland. Recently lice were divided into two species, the head and body louse (with suggestion that the latter may have evolved from the former as clothing was invented), and although head lice are known from Egyptian mummies, from prehispanic Peru, and from a palaeoindian site in Utah, remains of the body louse have rarely been found.

The specimen from Kilaersarfik, probably the Sandnes of the Viking sagas, is unlikely to have lived alone: one parasitologist earlier this century recorded a total of 10,428 lice from a single shirt, and Thomas à Becket's hair shirt after his murder was reported to be heavily infested.

Head or tales



A little matter of a quarter of a million years is causing some disagreement among students of the earliest inhabitants of Europe. A recent suggestion that the famous, almost complete, skull from Tautavel in south-west France was much older than first thought has caused much Gallic satisfaction. Two methods of measuring the behaviour of electrons trapped in a calcite lattice, known as thermoluminescence (TL) and electron spin resonance (ESR) have been used, and the Franco-Japanese team led by Yuji Yokoyama have claimed that the Tautavel skull dates to at least half a million years ago, and perhaps to as much as 700,000 years. In contrast, our own Swanscombe Skull from Kent, in the Natural History Museum, is thought to be a mere 250,000 years old.

Unfortunately for the entente cordiale, *some scientists think the Tautavel skull is only about the same age as Swanscombe, and some of them are British. Dr Ann Wintle, a TL specialist at Cambridge, has reviewed the conflicting claims, and points out that the earlier set of TL and ESR results would indicate a date of about 200,000 years for a travertine just above the archaeological deposit. The new method of ESR dating used by Yokoyama and his associates involves heating the sample, and not everybody agrees that this is a good idea; nor does the dismissal of one set of TL dates as too young (compared with their new measurements) by Yokoyama's team bring agreement. As Dr Wintle notes in a recent review for* Nature, *"Dating of European Middle Pleistocene hominid remains is a highly controversial affair, and an emotive issue."*

Dating pottery

Thermoluminescence (TL) dating has been producing interesting results, and in this case agreement with other methods, from the other end of the Old World. W Wang of the Shanghai Museum and Z Zhou of the Shanghai Industrial Hygiene Institute, have applied the method to ancient Chinese pottery and compared the ages obtained with those from radiocarbon dating, which is highly accurate for samples less than 10,000 years old.

Pottery from the early rice-growing village of Homodu, near Shanghai, produced TL dates between 5,000 and 6,500 years ago, compared with radiocarbon dates of 5,400 to 6,200 years ago. One of the earliest pottery-making sites in China, at Zengpiyan in Guangxi Province, yielded TL dates of 8,000-9,000 years ago and carbon dates of 7,700-9,000 years. The TL dates were obtained using what is called the "fine-grain" method, but as a check samples from Zengpiyan were also dated using the TL "quartz inclusion" technique which measures larger pieces of quartz temper from the pottery fabric. This method gave seven dates ranging from 7,000 to 10,300 years ago.

Wang and Zhou conclude, reasonably enough that satisfactory dates can be obtained from TL alone.

Flints problem



TL dating, this time on flint tools, has cleared up a chronological problem in Dorset, on the early habitation site atop Hengistbury Head on the south side of Christchurch Harbour.

Two periods of occupation have been identified by archaeologists working there, and the Oxford TL laboratory (whose director, Dr Martin Aitken, has just been elected FRS) has produced dates averaging 12,500 plus/minus 1,150 years ago for the earlier, Palaeolithic occupation, and 9750 plus/minus 750 years ago for the succeeding Mesolithic. Both occupations were of hunters, living in the open.

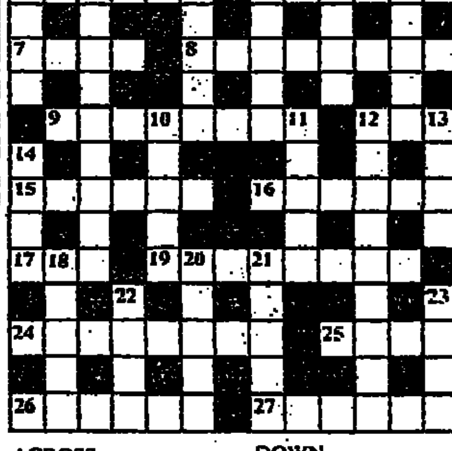
Antler combs

It seems that Roman and medieval craftsmen preferred to use antler rather than the more available bone for making small objects such as combs, because antler was much tougher. Experiments using an Instron 1122 table testing-machine, usually used for industrial materials, have shown that antler is 30 per cent more flexible than bone while being equally strong, and takes 2.7 times more energy to break.

Antler combs were made with short toothed sections fastened side by side in between two plates, not for ease of replacement when some teeth broke, as had been suggested, but because only short sections could be made with the teeth cut along the grain rather than across it; antler, like bone, is much stronger and more flexible in the direction of the grain.

Norman Hammond

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 107)



ACROSS
1 Portray (6)
4 Insufficient (6)
7 Be sullen (4)
8 Engrave (8)
9 Uncompromising policy (4,4)
12 Gratuity (3)
15 Glowing coal (6)
16 Stretch tight (6)
17 Perplex (3)
19 Enraptured (8)
24 Calm water (8)
25 US coin (4)
26 Accent (6)
27 Messenger (6)

DOWN
1 Rush (4)
2 Letter container (6,3)
3 Twist (5)
4 Stone worker (5)
5 Distinctive air (4)
6 Jewish minister (5)
10 Mournful chant (5)
11 Additional (5)
12 Custom (9)
13 Yearn (4)
14 Coral bar (4)
18 Willow tree (5)
20 Task (5)
21 Royal house (5)
22 Beat (4)
23 Low dam (4)

SOLUTION TO No 106
ACROSS: 1 Elapse 5 Prim 8 Alder 9 Crumple 11 Langlauf 13 Snip 15 Mismanage 18 Lank 19 Demented 22 Outrage 23 Skimp 24 Grit 25 Tandem
DOWN: 2 Laden 3 Per 4 Encouragement 5 Pout 6 Impinge 7 Fault 10 Expo 12 Lush 14 Jape 15 Monster 16 Alto 17 Adopt 20 Twine 21 Dart 23 Sin

WEDNESDAY PAGE

ALAN FRANKS' DIARY

A blow-out in the Morgan



…s time last year I was …ing exactly the same …g: have nothing to do …h Morgan Prewitt's …thday party. I ignored … advice then, to all our …ts, and must not repeat … error this Saturday. … imperative has …ngthened (you only …e to compare the 1983 …rgan with the 1982 model to …w that), but I have no confidence …my resolve. More about Morgan …n I can steel myself to describing … indescribable.

… far greater moment is the fate of …r Mr Heaseman from Number 27 …, you may remember, was …cked hence to Africa to be eaten … cannon balls – we had my …ghter's assurance on this; and the …y nation to be honoured with the …paration of his flesh was Switzer…d. Something has clearly gone …ng with the scheme, for there is … H. now, walking down the road …h his Safeways bag, apparently …e the worse for his experiences in … Dark Continent. He looks the …ne as ever, clanking along Pelham …ppet-fashion, invisibly supported …m the sky. I point him out to my …ually Reliable Source, who is …mentarily thrown for the first …e in her little life. She will come … with an explanation soon, I have … doubt.



…ow then: Morgan Prewitt. The …aritable say – as they always will … fat people – that he is a glandular …se, but I know plain greed when I …e it. One should of course feel …rry for boys only in their late fives …ho have been born straight into a …id-life crisis, but I am afraid my …rst sympathies go to the other …ildren who are victims of his …ncontrollable rages – or Morgasms …s they are called hereabouts. His …other, would you believe, is a …odel and has gained the family …onopoly on elegance, leaving …thing but obesity for her first (and …st) born. Of the father little is …own, save that he is an absentee …er-achiever and has a skull matted …th tight pubic curls. Diamonds …d South Africa are often men…ned when his name crops up, and …is true that he once harangued me …ldly in the school playground for …gesting that the MCC should not …r that country. Easy to see where … Morgasms come from.

…her Switzerland is not starving as … papers say, or it is a nation of …set gourmets. My daughter now …'s me Mr Heaseman was taken out … the big kettle and sent home …ause he was too stringy. Some …ngs are so simple, and it is with …ef that we can now close the …aseman File.

…e Prewitt File, alas, stays open. …xious Mother Number One (only …ently moved in) comes round and …hes to know the following: is it … that Morgan's party piece is …ing on small girls' heads until …y cry? Does he really tear up the …jurer's paper tricks until he, too, cries? Is he, in short, Richmond's answer to the Beast of Exmoor? Concerned Father Number One (me) fibs back that these are irresponsible exaggerations and the worst excesses of the oral tabloid press. She is in such hot pursuit of parental solidarity that I agree to be represented – at junior level – at Morgan's party. What else could I do?



Concerned Mother Number One ups the stakes by coming round again and "offering" (her words) to take my children and hers to the wretched Morganfest if I in turn pick them all up afterwards. With such "offers", who needs bailiffs?

Saturday 17.30 hrs. House of Prewitt. I am keeping my side of the bargain. It is worse then I had feared. The star of the show is in mid-Morgasm, and the supporting cast – the mother, the aupair, the guests, the guests' parents – are all distraught. I learn that Morgan has surpassed himself this year by feeding a slim Ming vase into the sink dispesal unit and melting two of his father's Francoise Hardy LPs against the immersion heater. I look around the room for Petranella's boys, but in vain. They are confined to barracks after having destroyed their Suzuki violins beneath the wheels of the Volvo Estate. A pity really, since they and Morgan deserve each other. Next year perhaps. The birthday boy is a blurr of martial influences: a huge plastic breastplate à la Tamburlaine, masking the expense account (sorry, glandular) midriff, and in his hand a black metal thing that is almost certainly an Armalite. As for his face, imagine Caligula after a rough night and you have the picture.

With his free hand he is clawing at the innards of the conjurer's suitcase and scrunching the clever little paper devices in his fist. All the while he is chanting some sort of battle mantra which sounds like "Eezy peezy Japaneezy!" Exit conjurer in tears.



Memo to self: Book 1984 holiday to coincide with M. Prewitt's seventh birthday party. Better still, delegate child collection to Concerned Mother Number One.

Forgiving the Fenwoman

The message to Mary Chamberlain from some of the Fenwomen whose lives she chronicled eight years ago was short and to the point: "Show your face in this village again and you'll be lynched."

In 1972 Isleham was a welcoming place. She had moved there from the city to buy a little land and "drop out with hens and goats." She ended up writing a classic. Her portrait of village life was the first book to be published by the Virago feminist imprint.

Isleham was an untidy village on the edge of the Fens. A landscape of flat land and hard lives. In Mary's eyes there were no roses round the door, or honey for tea.

At the time *Akenfield* was enjoying popularity and coloured the city-dweller's view of the country life. But where were all the women in Ronald Blythe's book? The chapters were mostly devoted to men: there were the craftsmen, officers and gentlemen, the orchard men – even God. Mary determined to redress the balance. The idea of *Fenwomen* – the feminist antidote to *Akenfield* – was born.

"History is as much about women bringing up a family on nine shillings a week as about men's deeds and diplomatic decisions". Over two years, with the aid of a tape recorder, she made history out of women's voices. She disguised the names of the women whose lives she recorded in detail, and changed the name of the village to Gislea.

Mary talked to three generations of women who told stories of marriage and childbirth, washing and cooking, gleaning and weeding, stretching back more than 150 years. Their own feelings that their lives were less important than those of their husbands made her only more determined to set down their stories.

The older women talked about their girlhood. With little brothers and sisters to care for, it ended early. The little girls talked about growing older. They wanted to be nurses, hairdressers, mothers. The younger women talked about sex. That's what caused Mary Chamberlain's love affair with the village to turn sour.

A few days before publication, while the book reviewers were preparing favourable phrases – "strong and moving" (*Sunday Times*), "solid social history" (*Times Educational Supplement*) – two men visited the village. Mary, who had moved to a teaching job in Ipswich, was back showing friends around.

"One of the men pulled out a copy of the book and asked me if I'd seen it. Seen it? Of course. I wrote it." That was that; a quote and a picture of a smiling Mary, book in hand.

Next Sunday, under the headline "Why Mary Unveiled a Village's Love Secrets", and "There'll be Red Faces Down on the Farm When This Book Comes Out', the *News of the World* printed the sexual extracts from *Fenwoman*.



Mary Chamberlain in Isleham eight years ago, before the storm broke. Feeling still runs high, but many would welcome her back

"We used to make love, before we was married, in front of the fire at his parents," recounted Petula Fryett. "I always used to spend the weekends with him and after his parents had gone to bed on a Saturday night, we'd do it then. It was nice and cosy, kind of romantic really… But now well, we go upstairs, and it's just bang, bang, bang and over with. Sometimes I wish he'd take me out to a meadow somewhere, and we'd do it there."





Left: how the *News of the World* saw Mary's book and, above, Mary today, still with friends in the village.

With confidences like these exposed, and the identity of the village revealed, Isleham turned on Mary. "The anonymity I had promised the women was shattered, and one local paper spent the best part of a week trying to track down the people who had spoken so frankly about their sex lives.

"They picked on a married woman in the village who's real name was Petula – but she of course had nothing to do with the Petula in the book."

While this game of who's who (or who's sleeping with whom) was going on, the villagers felt betrayed. "They saw my picture in the paper and assumed I had made thousands of pounds from selling their stories to the *The News of the World*. In their eyes I had done it to sell more copies of my book. I had exploited them, not the paper."

She called a public meeting immediately to put her case. Tempers were high and the older people who had been outraged by the sex in the book sat with arms folded in the front row. "We're not reading that filth", said one. Others were peeved that they had not been mentioned.

"What moved me most was the attitude of Petula's husband. He had suffered more than most from teasing, particularly as the fictitional Petula had remarked that they no longer had sex very often. Yet he stood up to defend me, and his speech turned the meeting right round."

Since then Mary has been back only once – quietly, to see friends. But this week, to coincide with the paperback publication of *Fenwomen*, she was to have returned to meet some of the women she had interviewed for the book. Until that message about lynching.

"The feeling in the village is still high after all this time", the postmistress told her. "There isn't much of a welcome here."

But providing she stays clear of the post office, that isn't true. "I was proud of Mary and the book", said Wendy Davies, who was pictured on the cover of the original *Fenwomen*. "So was everyone else except for some old folk who still haven't forgotten the scandal. Even though the names were changed, we could identify nearly everybody in the book, but in a small village like this we all know everyone else's business anyway."

The real Petula said: "Please tell Mary we'd love to see her. Whatever happened wasn't her fault". "I have nothing against Mary", said Reg Watson, who was photographed reading the book above the caption "We had our pick of the girls" in the *News of the World*.

"I'd buy her a drink if she called in here", said one of the regulars at the Crown, who believed she would have got better stories from talking to the Fenmen.

Only in the post office does resentment appear to linger. The postmistress bore the brunt of the adverse publicity and she is curt: "The book was intended to be anonymous and it wasn't. That's all I've got to say."

But for most of the villagers, from the district nurse to the woman who gets up at 4am to pick flowers for the London markets, Mary the exploiter, Mary the exhibitionist – as a letter in the *Cambridge Evening News* called her – is forgotten. But Mary their former neighbour would be sure of a warm welcome.

Deirdre Fernand

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FIRST PERSON

To the NHS, with thanks

A deep-rooted fear of all things medical has always prevented me from paying much attention to the National Health Service versus private medicine debate. But having fallen victim to the chronic bad press the NHS so lavishly receives, I decided a long time ago that, in the event, private medicine was probably the lesser of the two evils.

I have no criticism to make about private medical care. My three experiences of private hospitals were no better and no worse than I expected. But a recent and sudden encounter with the NHS revealed to me that the abattoirish image under which it toils may not necessarily be the whole picture.

A few weeks ago circumstances forced me to consult a general practitioner under the NHS. The bleak and outdated conditions of his surgery, which he runs entirely single-handed, is a dreadful and damning indictment of the health service. But the doctor was sharp and wise and he diagnosed by instinct and experience rather than by modern medical technology.

He deemed the matter urgent, though not an emergency, and telephoned Charing Cross Hospital for an immediate appointment. There was a time lapse of about an hour between leaving the surgery and seeing the doctor at Charing Cross. So much for the myth about interminable waiting lists, queues and delays on the NHS.

The official clinic was over by this time and I saw the doctor in what, presumably, was his lunch break. I immediately confessed my neurosis about doctors, hospitals and all their associations – a problem many a private doctor has treated with barely concealed disdain. But the attitude of this doctor was one of total understanding.

The problem was an abdominal tumour whose existence I had refused to acknowledge and which had now grown to *Guinness Book of Records* proportions. I should have been admitted immediately, but the doctor appreciated that I had left an unattended dog at home, as well as much urgent journalistic business and other commitments, so it was arranged that I should return at 9 pm.

I can barely tolerate sickness in myself and I could never be a witness to illness in others and I knew I would crack up completely in a hospital ward. Before I returned that evening I had already decided to hock my house, if necessary, and ask the consultant to attend me privately. In consideration of my problem, however, I had been assigned a private room and bathroom. So much for the myth about impersonal, conveyor-belt treatment on the NHS.

None of my whims (no visitors, for example), were treated with the contempt they deserved. At all times the doctors and nurses were enormously and consistently tolerant, patient and kind. The operation took place after two days of promptly executed tests.

The tumour was found to be malignant and will necessitate further surgery. I have now had time to ponder all the alternatives but I have chosen to return and continue treatment at Charing Cross

I recognize my great fortune at living in the area covered by Charing Cross, a modern and largely unintimidating hospital, and my even greater fortune at falling into the hands of particularly sympathetic and caring as well as skilful team of doctors. I doubt whether my experience is unique and it is certainly worth recording in defence of the NHS.

Anna Kythreotis

Penny Perrick meets a dissident's brave wife

Fighting for life

…had spent the previous two …hs on aeroplanes and her brown …s were dulled with tiredness, her …e hardly louder than a whisper. …s exactly nine years since 32-year-… Avital Shcharansky last saw her …band, Anatoly, the imprisoned …sian dissident, but she talks …ut him as if they parted …erday after nine years of being …ether, although, in fact, Avital … made to leave Russia the day …r their wedding.

…he was in London last week to …eal to Britain not to sign the …-West human rights agreement …Madrid this September until the … Russians detained in labour …ps for trying to monitor the …5 Helsinki human rights agree…nt are released. She had gone …ght from Heathrow to Downing …et for a 30-minute meeting with … Thatcher, who expressed …cern about Anatoly's deteriorat… health and said she would …inue to press for his release.

…he night before, Avital had …n to Washington from Israel to … American congressmen in an …night vigil in support of her …band. This was the year she had … hoping to finish her course in …nism and art in Jerusalem, where … now lives, but this was also the … that Anatoly went on hunger …e, in protest against not being …wed to write to Avital or even to …tion her name in any correspon…e.

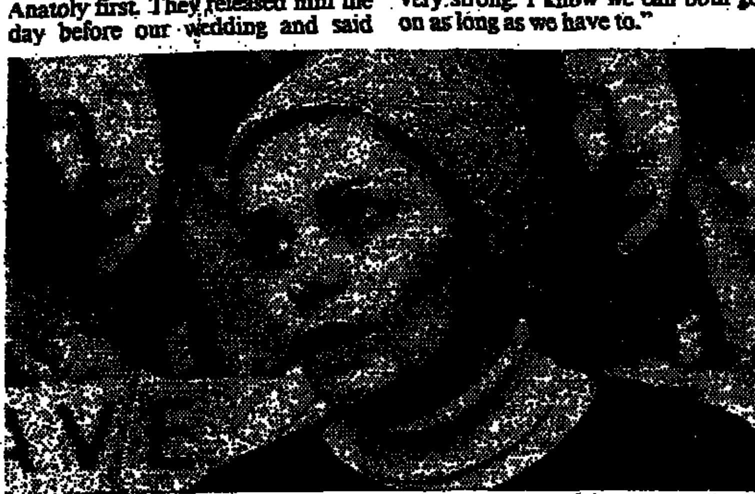
…y the end of the hunger strike, …toly had lost his hair and …velled to the weight of a 10-year-… child. He won the right to send …rs out of Russia.

…hile we sat on a window seat in … House of Lords, by courtesy of …d Bethell, on the opposite bank … the Thames the Mayor of …cow, Mr Vladimir Promyslov, … telling assembled GLC councillors that Shcharansky was a criminal and that Avital was not his real wife. He did not say why, if she wasn't his wife, this attractive young woman should choose to slog out her life in such a disruptive and exhausting way. Avital shrugged tired shoulders. "There is nothing thay can really accuse me of, so they have to make things up."

…vital's family did not tell her she wa… Jewish until she was 16. The news had a deep emotional affect on her and she spent the next years finding out about the heritage she had not known was hers. When she and Anatoly decided to marry, they also decided they wanted to leave Russia for Israel. Fifteen days before their wedding day, which was set for July 4 1974, Anatoly disappeared along with other potential trouble-makers who, the Kremlin thought, might cause problems during President Nixon's visit to Moscow. Avital was told she must leave Russia within ten days. "I said I wouldn't go unless I could marry Anatoly first. They released him the day before our wedding and said that if I left Russia he would join me six months later."

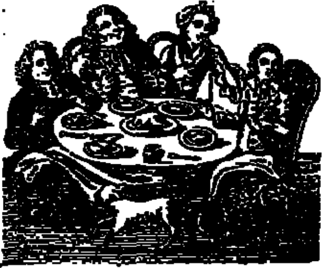
Two years later, her husband had still not been allowed to join her and Avital was refused permission to go back to Russia. The following year, in 1977, Anatoly was imprisoned on charges of treason.

It seemed offensive to ask her what will happen if her husband is never released, or if, in spite of her efforts, the world forgets her existence, or if she can spend many more years this way, hoping against hope, for his release. She took no offence because my questions were completely meaningless to her. "This is the only way I can live; nothing else matters. I never feel alone in what I'm doing because people are always giving me their support. They come up to me on 'planes and ask how Anatoly is. Yesterday, in Washington, a black porter saw the name on my luggage label and said, 'Hey, I know about him; how's he doing?'. Anatoly is physically weak, but spiritually he's very strong. I know we can both go on as long as we have to."



Avital: "This is the only way I can live; nothing else matters"

THE TIMES COOK



Shona Crawford Poole

Short and sweet

Here on the Costa del Camden Town at the weekend the street-market gutters ran scarlet with squashed strawberries. Tumbling heaps of lacquer-bright cherries, punnets of soft pink raspberries and redcurrants; tart and almost transparent, cried "buy me, buy me" at every turn. This stunning weather is producing the finest soft fruits I have seen for years and, with everything ripening at once, it may be one of the briefest too.

To show off these lovely fruits, serve them with *cremets*, the light home-made cream cheese that is called *coeur à la crème* when it it is made in heart-shaped moulds. Use the same slightly sweetened mixture with freshly baked scones and ripe strawberries for a proper tea on the lawn. And hoard a few rays of sunshine for winter days in a batch of clear, scarlet redcurrant jelly.

To make yogurt curd cheese for the following recipe, beat the 450 ml (¾ pint) natural yogurt to make it liquid, then tip it into a sieve lined with butter muslin or cheesecloth. Knot the corners and hang the muslin bag to drain for about 12 hours, or overnight. Put a bowl under the bag to catch the whey which drips from the yogurt as it dries and firms.

Coeur à la crème
Serves six

225 g (8 oz) yogurt curd cheese
300 ml (½ pint) double cream
2 tablespoons caster sugar

Beat the yogurt curd cheese until it is smooth. Whip the cream until it holds soft peaks. Combine the cheese, cream and sugar and beat them lightly together.

If you have *coeur la crème* moulds (they must have drain holes in the bottom), line them with butter muslin or cheese cloth. Alternatively, line a sieve with muslin to make a large dome of the cheese mixture which can be turned out and covered or surrounded with fruit. Spoon the mixture into the mould or moulds and press it well into the shape. Stand the moulds on a plate to catch the whey, or over a bowl if using a sieve, and refrigerate them for about 12 hours.

Turn out the moulds and carefully peel away the muslin. Serve them chilled with strawberries, raspberries or redcurrants. Sugar and thin cream may be offered separately.

The secret of baking light scones is to make the dough with sour milk or cultured buttermilk, and to handle it as little as possible.

Scones
Makes about 10

225 g (8 oz) plain flour
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
½ teaspoon bicarbonate of soda
½ teaspoon salt
30 g (1 oz) butter, diced
1 egg, beaten
About 300 ml (½ pint) sour milk or buttermilk

Sift together into a bowl the flour, cream of tartar, bicarbonate of soda and salt. Add the diced butter and rub it into the flour lightly, using your fingertips or a pastry blender. Add the egg and enough milk to make a soft dough. Turn the dough on to a lightly floured board and knead it lightly and briefly, handling it just enough to eliminate the cracks.

Lightly roll out the dough to about 1 cm (½ in) thick. Cut out circles about 5 cm (2 in) diameter and set them on a greased baking sheet. Bake the scones in a preheated moderately hot oven (190°C/375°F; gas mark 5) for 15 to 20 minutes, or until they are well risen and golden.

Real redcurrant jelly is a preserve that I do not like to run out of, but still I never seem to make enough of it to last from one summer to the next. I serve it with roast lamb and use it to glaze open fruit tarts.

Redcurrant jelly
Makes about 2.7 kg (6 lbs)

2.7 kg (6 lbs) ripe redcurrants
Sugar (see method)

Wash the redcurrants and pick out any that are bad or mouldy. Put them, stalks and all, into a preserving pan, or another large and preferably wide-mouthed pan or casserole, and add 1.2 litres (2 pints) of water. Heat gently until the juice starts to run from the fruit, then simmer for half an hour, pressing the berries against the sides of the pan so that the skin of each is broken.

Tip the fruit pulp into a scalded jelly bag and leave it to drip overnight. (To improvize a jelly bag, line a large sieve with a clean, damp tea cloth. Tip in the pulp then gather up and knot the corners.)

Next, measure the juice and put it back in the pan. Stir in 450 g (1 lb) sugar for every 600 ml (1 pint) of juice. Heat the mixture gently, until the sugar has dissolved completely, then boil fast to obtain a set. Test whether the jelly will set when cold by dropping a small spoonful on to a chilled plate. If it thickens and begins to form a skin it will set. A sugar thermometer will register about 104°C/220°F when the jelly reaches setting point.

Quickly strain the jelly through a sieve lined with muslin and pour it into hot, very clear jars. Fit a waxed paper disc wax side down on the surface of the jelly and, when it is completely cold, seal the jars with transparent jam pot covers. Label and store the pots in a cool, dark place.

TALKBACK

From Vivienne Hughes, Cottenham, Cambridge.

In "these days of equality of the sexes" referred to in Michael Waters's column (Wednesday Page, July 13), I find his attitudes unhelpful and insulting to the 52 per cent of married women who are working wives. I have a full-time job, as does my husband.

Michael Water's assertion that "it goes without saying that part of any husband's pay is really for the services of his wife," smacks of Victorian servitude. I applaud Ms Drummond's (or Mrs Waters's) efforts in handling her own tax affairs. It would be simpler and fairer if married couples with joint incomes could always be taxed separately without punitive measures when their total joint income falls below a certain threshold.

From Jacqueline Faith, London

As a current and past temporary secretary I felt I must reply to Jean Southon's lament (Friday Page July 15).

I hold a professional qualification and a couple of university degrees, but at present my chosen means of paying the rates and eating is to revert to my old and not dishonourable trade of secretarying (120/60).

The first agency I used kept sending me back to what was apparently their only client and also kept calling me "darling", so I took myself (and my excellent services) to another agency. They immediately put me to work in a variety of assignments, two of which bore a striking resemblance to those cited

It took me about five minutes to get used to the electronic typewriter, as long as I didn't have to use the memory part. Temporaries, by their very nature, fill a gap and must expect to have work thrown at them if necessary. "Choice" is the salient word here. I'm selling, they're buying.

So Jean Southon, either nourish your connexions with the commissioning editor of *The Times*, or get off your swivel chair and go to another agency.

THE TIMES DIARY

About turn

Colin Hanoman, the man who changed his name to Margaret Thatcher in hope of contesting Finchley at the general election, is proud of a letter he received from Tony Benn after announcing his intention to lodge an election petition against the returning officer's ruling that he was "an obvious unreality." Benn writes: "People fought and died for the right to vote. Do not mock it by farce." Hanoman has indeed abandoned his bid to have the Finchley poll nullified, not because of what he calls Benn's "very pro-Establishment response", but because he cannot raise the money.

Friend or foe?

The new boys' tribulations continue. John Hayes, the newly elected Conservative member for Harlow, is telling friends how he appeared on Anglia television alongside Eldon Griffiths. Griffiths kept saying "you and your party", apparently under the impression that Hayes came from the other side of the House.

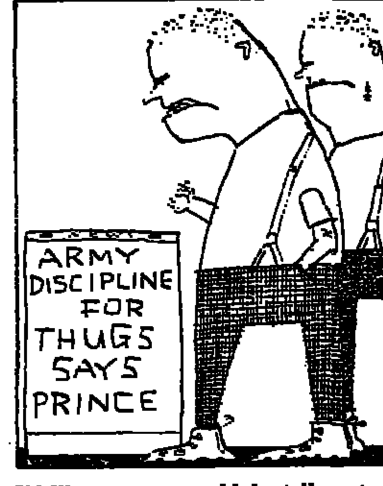
Not le car

A colleague spent much of the weekend with an unusually garrulous AA man who could not be kept off the subject of Leyland cars. He swore he was called out to broken down Metros and so on, day in, day out. No other make came close. Then he confided that he should not be saying any of this, since head office told all patrolmen to keep their comments to themselves. Quite right. AA headquarters confirm. British Leyland offer AA membership and insurance as part of their sales promotion; hence the disproportionate number of calls to attend BL cars. No such alibi invalidates the observation of the AA man called *(in vain)* to my old Citroen GS: "Oh, God", he said. "Cars we can cope with. Citroens are something else".

Stitch in time

Ian MacGregor, giving evidence to a Lord's sub-committee, said he was having samplers made to be hung in coal executives' bedrooms when he takes over at the Coal Board in the autumn. They will bear the message: "Petro-chemicals came from coal at the beginning of the century and will return there at the end of it." The challenge of illustrating this almost unsewable theme appealed, at any rate, to Lady Llewelyn-Davies of Hastoe. When it came to her turn to question MacGregor she said: "I have no questions. I am going to embroider a sampler."

BARRY FANTONI



I'd like to see some bloke tell me to go and get my hair cut

Grave matters

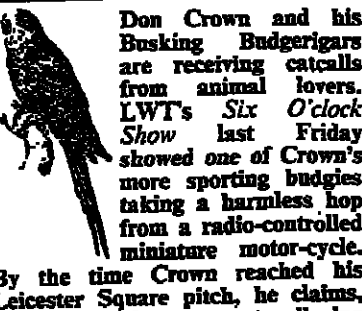
There is something macabre about the fairytale agreement by which Denstone College, Staffordshire, is guaranteed world exclusive rights to the story of the search for the Titanic in its watery grave. The Texan millionaire leading the search is Jack Grimm, and the college bursar who finally nailed the deal with him is called Peter Pine-Coffin.

Whale met

Sir Peter Scott, at 73, has just made a large addition to his family – five humpback whales, adopted under a fund-raising scheme run by the International Fund for Animal Welfare. Sir Peter's foster-whales, which he encountered off Cape Cod last month, are named Stub, Pegasus, Pepper, Fringe and Binoc, and, at $10 each a year, are surprisingly cheap. Would that the care and feeding of your average human leviathan were so painless.

Dais over apex

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, chairman of the English Tourist Board's committee of inquiry into Britain's zoos, took an alarming tumble from the dais yesterday when rising to announce its results. It pointed the need, I suppose, for what his near namesake, Michael Montague, the ETB chairman, said zoos should have: "a keeper of *homo sapiens*".



Don Crown and his Busking Budgerigars are receiving catcalls from animal lovers. LWT's *Six O'clock Show* last Friday showed one of Crown's more sporting budgies taking a harmless hop from a radio-controlled miniature motor-cycle. By the time Crown reached his Leicester Square pitch, he claims, "Rent-a-crowd were out alleging cruelty to budgerigars". He has had to cancel some performances since. He does not want them frightening the birds.

PHS

Still no sign of the new dawn

by Henry Neuburger

Last Thursday, Tim Congdon set out on this page to prove that the centrepiece of the Government's economic policy – the medium term financial strategy – had succeeded. In particular, he claimed that its detractors have now been confounded by events.

I would argue that the medium term financial strategy has proved both unworkable and ineffective. Tim Congdon neither addresses the arguments of its critics nor are his own statistics relevant to any appraisal of the strategy.

With one point, however, I would agree. Britain has been subject to an experiment for the last four years. The moral justification for testing economic theories on whole nations is *questionable* – particularly when the theories are controversial. Nonetheless, since the experiment has been conducted we might as well appraise the results.

The original strategy was set out in the *Financial Statement and Budget Report* 1980-81. The objective was to bring down inflation and create conditions for a sustainable growth of output and employment. The method was to create stable expectations by setting out a path for the money supply. This was maintained, whatever happened, by adjustment of public spending, tax rates and interest rates. To avoid high rates of interest and to provide room for cutting taxes, emphasis would be placed on public spending control.

Many of the theories underlying this stategy are controversial. Among the ideas open to question are:

- Low inflation leads to sustain able growth of output and employment
- The government can control the money supply
- Controlling the money supply leads to low inflation
- Controlling public spending has an effect on the money supply

In addition, opponents of the medium term financial strategy did not, as Tim Congdon claims, argue that spontaneous growth was impossible under any circumstances. What they argued was that cutting public spending and increasing taxes would reduce output and employment and that there were no spontaneous mechanisms which would automatically make up for this loss.

The table shows some of the projections from the original medium term financial strategy compared with how events turned out. The table shows that the fall in inflation owes nothing to the Government having stuck to its money supply targets, because those targets were substantially exceeded. The Government proved unable to control either the money supply or public spending.

The Goverment failed to understand that the effect of spending cuts and a high exchange rate policy was to cut output. This reduced tax revenue and increased social security spending. As a result, public spending and borrowing were chronically out of their control.

Output consistently disappointed the Government's expectations. The number of occasions on which the Government announced a new dawn only to be "disappointed" is now beyond number. At no time did any upturn seem likely to achieve either an output level or a growth rate comparable with 1979. This experience should serve as a warning against placing too much weight on the latest of these fluctuations in output. If, as Tim Congdon claims, the current upturn owes nothing to public sector stimulus, then why did the Chancellor see the need for emergency cuts in public spending?

We now have inflation at a level which would, I imagine, be consistent with the ambitions of the founders of the medium-term financial strategy. Yet none of them now suggests that we are about to see a substantial improvement in employment. They seem to have lost their faith in even that tenet of the strategy. On the contrary, falling inflation has so far been accompanied by stagnant output and falling employment.

We may or may not have learnt much about economic theory from this experiment, but if we had known in 1980 what we know now I doubt if anyone would adopt the same course.

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The medium-term financial strategy: what they expected and what happened

		1980-1	1981-2	1982-3	1983-4
Money supply % growth	Target	7-11	6-10	5-9	4-8
	Actual	18	14	11	?
Public spending £bn 1978-9 prices	Target	66	64½	64½	63
	Actual	67½	67¾	69¾	(70)*
Unemployment millions (GB)	Target	1.6	1.8	1.8	1.8
	Actual	1.8	2.3	2.9	(3+)*
Output % change	Target	−2½	(−4)†	(−2)†	+½*
	Actual	−2½	−5	−4	(−2½)

†Deductions from govt figures. *Government projections

Jock Bruce-Gardyne

Is that mortgage umbrella a bit too big?

The other day, when lunching in the City, I was asked to explain the Government's view of accelerating house prices. "I thought", said my inquisitor, "that gazumping was as good a sign as any that there was too much cash about. Yet when the building societies raise the mortgage rate, all hell is let loose. What is one to think?"

Shortly before the building societies acted last month I had had a similar inquiry, though from a different standpoint, from one of the leaders of that movement. "Any chance", he had asked me, "that the Prime Minister will now let us get on and make up our own minds about the mortgage rate?" He did not have to wait long for an answer: Mrs Thatcher "did not disguise her disappointment" when the rate was lifted by one and a quarter per cent.

Truth to tell both my interlocutors were asking for the moon. If the day comes when prime ministers lose interest in the mortgage rate, John McEnroe will blow kisses to the referee, and Arthur Scargill will withdraw to a Trappist monastery. I remember how, after the Heath government dissolved in February 1974, one of its former members whom I had regularly cross-questioned in Parliament about its monetary policy upbraided me: "It wasn't a blind bit of use your always banging on about the money supply. Since mortgage rates were not to rise there was no way we could control it anyway."

Which does suggest a somewhat less than perfect world, does it not? For throughout the second half of that government, when the monetary aggregates were keeping some of us awake at night, interest rates (including those for mortgages) were well below the inflation rate. So those who left their money on deposit with the building societies (many of them below the tax threshold) were being taken to the cleaners. Yet rather than allow them to enjoy some real income from their money we cheerfully ran the risk of speeding up inflation in the future.

There is no great mystery about why this should happen under all Tory governments (and some Labour ones as well). For years we have sought to encourage home ownership, particularly by allowing mortgage interest (unlike other forms of interest) to be set off against tax. We have been highly successful: and so millions of households feel the pinch when mortgage rates go up, and tend to love the government when they come down again.

Now I am all for home ownership. I thought there was no more telling comment on the recent general election than Tony Benn's cry from the heart about all those council houses with fancy door-knockers, which meant they had been sold. I have little doubt that the right to buy the family home was the single biggest vote-winner introduced by the 1979 government.

But I do sometimes wonder whether we may not have rather over-egged the pudding. If your Aunt Mabel leaves you £50,000, and you use it to buy shares in ICI, then, if those shares appreciate in real value, you will pay capital gains tax on the appreciation; and on the dividends you receive you may well have to pay investment income surcharge on top of income tax. And with all that, the shares you buy are just as likely to go down as up.

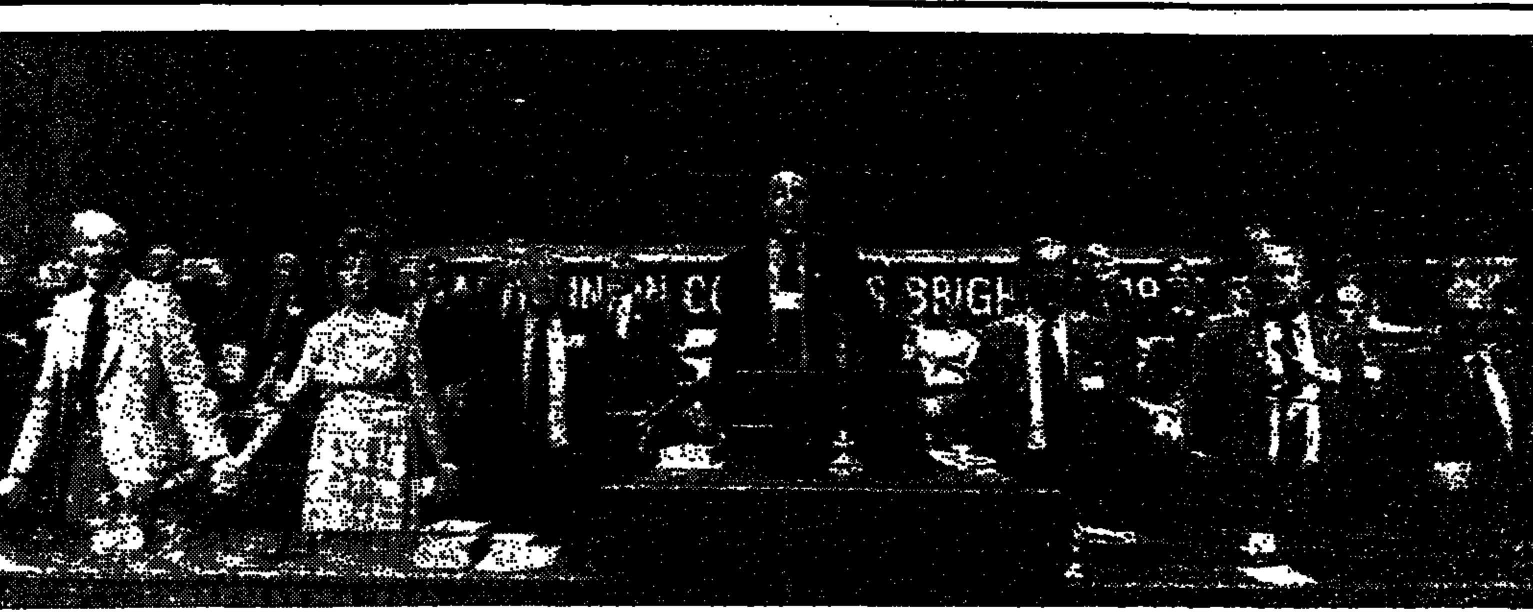
If, instead, you buy a house to live in, you can in due course sell it and pocket any gain you make – and on the trend of more than 30 years you will be most unlucky not to have a gain. Meanwhile the Chancellor will help you meet the cost of your purchase. Who would buy ICI shares instead? Yet is house purchase transparently more "in the national interest" than industrial investment?

> If the day comes when prime ministers lose interest in the mortgage rate, Arthur Scargill will retire to a monastery

I am not suggesting that with a move to tax neutrality between house purchase and other forms of personal investment, prime ministers would lose their interest in the mortgage rate. We should at least need to take it out of the retail price index (where it does not really belong) as well. Still, the intensity of interest might diminish. So that is one change which my friend from the building societies might campaign for. I bet he does not, all the same.

There remains another change which could get the politicians permanently out of the building societies' hair. They could scrap the mortgage rate cartel, and leave the individual societies to pick the rates that suit them. Perhaps, with the help of some energetic elbow-work from our new Chancellor, they might before too long do precisely that.

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At the TUC congress: all brothers, but their comrades abroad could point the way to the future

Bernard Levin: The way we live now

Striking out in Swiss time

When, a week or so ago, I told the story of the gravediggers' strike in Merthyr Tydfil, and drew from it some conclusions about the nature and use of trade union power, I hardly expected to return to the subject almost immediately. Yet there was a report elsewhere in the paper on the very day my comments appeared which seems to me to offer some very powerful evidence to support my thesis that the trouble with our unions, and in particular their leaders, is that they have never been taught how to use power.

At first sight, I have to say, the report I refer to, which came from Mr Alan McGregor in Geneva, seemed to offer even more powerful evidence either that the Swiss celebrate All Fools Day on July 11 or that Mr McGregor had gone off his head. Not so; the Swiss, as you would expect, do not celebrate All Fools Day at *any* time of year, and Mr McGregor is as sane a man as you could find at either end of an alpenhorn. For those of you who missed the story, I summarize it here.

The Swiss trade union federation has just signed a five-year contract with the employers; by the terms of it the working week *will* be reduced by an hour in 1986 and by another hour in 1988, and on each occasion there will be an agreed pay cut of 1.2 per cent. This almost literally incredible bargain is the fruit of an accord between the two sides of Swiss industry first established in 1937 and renewed ten times since; it was the creation of a former Marxist called Konrad Ilg (perhaps *I* have gone off my head) who was the leader of the Swiss unions at the time, and by its terms strikes were renounced on one side and lockouts on the other, and it was agreed that all disputes would be resolved "by pragmatic negotiations in sincerity and good faith".

Now if you were to brandish that story at a representative sample of British union leaders you would receive in reply, after the contemptuous snorting had died down, the obvious explanation; the Swiss worker is a miserable wretch, ground into poverty beneath the iron heel of the capitalists and beaten into submission to the said capitalists by a brutal government of gnomes, the result being that Swiss workers are so near to starvation that they will agree to anything at all, in order to get their hands on the crust of dry bread that is all they can buy with their week's wages and to keep over their heads the leaky roof of the filthy, unheated hovels that are all they can afford by way of accommodation. See?

Well, no, actually; the Swiss worker's standard of living is getting on for twice as high as that of his British equivalent.

Er. Harumph. That is to say. Ah. You see, the Swiss worker, poor devil, is afflicted by such dreadful inflation (deliberately engineered by the iron-heeled capitalists and their allies the governmental gnomes) that no amount of wages can keep body and soul together, whence the frightful conditions hereinbeforementioned. Got it?

Not quite; Switzerland, for all practical purposes, doesn't have inflation at all; if it goes above 2 per cent it is regarded as a national emergency, and flood-warnings are broadcast hourly to all parts of the country.

Yes, well. On the other hand. But. The fact is, of course, that unemployment in Switzerland is raging at such unspeakably high levels that no worker dare ask, Oliver-like, for more, lest he be thrown instantly on to the scrapheap. So that's all right, eh?

By no means; unemployment in Switzerland is somewhat under one per cent.

At this point, if your sample of British union leaders is really representative, you are likely to get a vigorous punch in the head; it was Burns who observed that facts are chiels that winna ding and daurna be disputit, and although I would not presume to say exactly what he meant by the remark, its general drift seems to be that Socrates should have counted himself lucky to suffer nothing worse than a thorough poisoning for telling people things they did not wish to hear. Most emphatically, our union leaders do not want to hear about the Swiss system of industrial relations or its architect Mr Konrad Ilg.

I can now return to my theme of last week. British trade union leaders have the power to keep their members poor. That is not a very glorious power – it would hardly have sufficed Napoleon or Sardanapalus – but such as it is, they have it. The question is: why do they choose to exercise it?

Like the union men in Merthyr Tydfil who filled in a grave just before the burial because it had been dug in defiance of a strike that included gravediggers, trade union leaders who believe that their members still go to work in clogs are fighting the class war before last because nobody has taught them how to use power for good ends rather than bad, or even for sensible purposes rather than idiotic. It has been repeatedly pointed out, not least by me, that the American worker doesn't mind if the boss has a larger Cadillac this year than last, provided that *he* has a larger Ford. Why is the British worker willing to be Fordless to ensure that the boss is Rollsless?

The answer, I believe, is that he isn't, but that his union leaders have the power to ensure that he behaves as though he is. And the most encouraging movement to be observed today anywhere in British industry – more encouraging than any signs that the recession is ending – is that of the British industrial worker's *revolt against his leaders'* power. In last month's election 60 per cent of the votes cast by trade union members were for candidates other than Labour ones; it is hardly posible to imagine a clearer demonstration that they were rejecting an attitude that simply did not accord with their own aspirations or indeed their own view of reality.

And the miners elected Mr Scargill their president by an immense majority, but have ever since greeted with thumb to nose his demands that they should lower their standard of living in order to keep him in metaphors.

The Labour Party is shortly going to find itself with Mr Kinnock as leader; the party might as well affiliate *en masse* to Exit. But it will not escape notice that this result will have been achieved largely through the squalid dealings of a few trade union bosses delivering herds of spurious votes like cattle-rustlers. The Labour Party is beyond saving; but the trade union movement can still be resuscitated *by its members*. The trade union legislation proposed by the Government has been criticized as too weak, but the critics miss the point, for the main object is not to impose harsher limits on trade union activities; it is to further separate the boneheads who lead the unions from the members who are dragged, by the boneheads' incapacity for using power, into avoidable poverty. They are also dragged by their leaders into serious losses of liberty (not to mention into activities which deprive others of liberty), but that is less pressing, and less obvious, than the fact that the union leaders are denying their members attainable material advancement. Mr Tebbit said in the last Parliament that he was going to give the unions a dose of democracy. It is an audacious proposal; nothing less than taking the power from the bosses who have shown themselves unfit to use it and putting it into the hands of the members, who are now showing signs of wanting to learn how it should be used. It is perhaps too much to hope that British trade union members, even then, will promptly adopt the Swiss system devised by Mr Konrad Ilg. But at least they have begun to realize that his way is preferable to that of Mr Soloman Binding.

All at sea with a whiff of French intrigue

If you take a dip in the Channel or off the North Cornwall coast this week there may be a nasty surprise lurking just beneath the surface. A giant Japanese seaweed whose triffid-like tentacles grow by up to a foot a day has established a beachhead on the south coast and has rounded Land's End.

"We have had a reported sighting at Sennen and are waiting for confirmation", said Dr William Farnham of the Marine Laboratory at Portsmouth. "We have put up 'Wanted' posters for it in the holiday resorts."

The weed is known as *Sargassum Muticum*. There is no question of Japanese restaurateurs setting up secret seaweed farms around our coasts. The guilty party is a more traditional enemy: the French.

"The seaweed comes from the oyster beds of France," said Dr Farnham. "They brought it over from California, but we have not been able to find out much about it except that it produces tannin and has a highly astringent taste. I have nibbled some and it puckers the inside of the mouth."

Why should French oyster farmers want to grow a completely useless crop which tastes horrible? The sinister answer is to obtain even bigger subsidies from the EEC's common agricultural policy. After planting the vile crop, they are paid a substantial sum for harvesting and destroying it. It makes the Keynesian wheeze of burying chests of money and paying people to dig them up look positively crude.

In a master plan for European recovery which has just been presented to the Euro Parliament, the French economist Michel Albert calls for massive growth and the creation of three million new jobs. Nothing is growing faster in Europe than *Sargassum Muticum*. Keeping it under control could solve the unemployment problem at a stroke.

An even bigger type of seaweed called *Macrocystis Pyrifera*, also originating from California, is being cultivated by the French, who intend to use it to make icecream. It grows to 200 ft long and could be a menace to quite large ships. Kelp-flavoured icecream would be eminently unsaleable and so ideal for the EEC.

Dr James Whetter of the Cornish National Party does not like the slimy stratagems across the Channel:



Sargassum Muticum: nasty

"The weed is a problem for small boats because it gets tangled round propellers. We don't know yet how it affects swimming." Whetter wonders if the EEC will pay compensation for damage to boats.

The one place in Britain that could actually benefit from the weed is Linga Holm in the Orkneys, with its rare breed of seaweed-eating sheep. These voracious animals have so depleted their native kelp that they have to sprint down the sand for a quick bite as the tide recedes. With teeth gnashing like castanets, the slower ones are sometimes washed away.

Professor Louis Driehl of Simon Frazier University has warned against introducing any Pacific species to the Atlantic because they are potential carriers of undesirable plants and animals. "Once they have been introduced, control is virtually impossible." It's what Cyril Smith has been saying about the SDP for months.

Come to think of it, perhaps the Liberals could rid us of the weed. In *The Day of the Triffids* the rogue vegetable is finally nobbled by an overtired Scotsman on sabbatical in a lighthouse. Could David Steel's summer project be to repulse *Sargassum Muticum?*

I'm sorry, it's no joking matter. Sargassum, after all, is the lowest form of wit.

Paul Pickering

James Curran

A small price to pay for the facts

The proposal for a Labour newspaper has provoked a lively correspondence, but the idea is not likely to get off the ground. Bill Keys, general secretary of Sogat 82 and the main driving force behind it, had great difficulty in persuading colleagues from other unions to fund even a modest feasibility study. If it came to putting up substantial cash for the paper itself, most union leaders would back off.

This is partly because the unions are in financial difficulties. Union membership has fallen by 1.6 million since the end of 1981, mainly because of rising unemployment. Many unions have found it difficult to make economies to *match the fall in revenue*.

Nevertheless, the trade union movement clearly has the resources to fund its own daily if it wishes. But in its present defensive and demoralized state, it is not in a mood to attempt a high-risk venture. Conservative legislation has whittled away the unions' legal immunities, leaving them vulnerable to large damages. Closed shop ballots, which will come into force next year, may further reduce union membership. There is no real sign of a sustained economic recovery. In these circumstances, the instinct of many union executives will be to husband their resources in readiness for the worsening situation ahead.

In any case, union leaders have not given high priority to communicating with the general public or even with their own members. They allowed the *Daily Herald* to close in 1964, even though its readership was more than five times that of *The Times*. Trade union journals remain, with a few exceptions, underfinanced and over-controlled. Even union support for the development of a sympathetic press is limited.

The unions' failure over the years to develop properly their own media has contributed to their present crisis. Most union members obtain information about unions primarily from media with a marked anti-union bias. This bias, as the systematic studies by the Glasgow University Media Group, Dr Paul Hartmann (Leicester University) and Professor Denis McQuail (Amsterdam), reveal, generally takes the unobtrusive form of industrial relations reports that focus on the disruptive consequences of disputes without explaining their causes. Strikers are implicitly portrayed as irrational and causing trouble without good reason, because their motives are not explained.

This is often coupled with a failure on the part of industrial journalists to interrogate management as they do trade unionists. Professor McQuail found, for instance, that statements and actions by employers accounted for only 4 per cent of the main topics of industrial relations reports of the national daily press in 1975. By rendering employers "invisible", and by concentrating on the wider disruptive effects of disputes, industrial journalists often tacitly portray unionists as being in conflict not so much with their employers as with the public.

This bias against the unions has contributed to the growing loss of support for unions even among their members. In these circumstances, union leaders have no real choice but to develop their own mass media as an elementary act of self-defence.

But they need to do so with their eyes open. The McCarthy Report, commissioned by the TUC, seriously underestimates the cost of launching a new popular daily by making three false assumptions:

- That it would carry about the same proportion of advertising as the *Sun*, the established market leader, despite charging higher rates per thousand readers.
- That advertising would rise in strict proportion to sales (which it practically never does). This would give the new paper a whopping £6.4m profit on a circulation of 500,000, whereas the *Daily Mail* generally makes a loss with a circulation of more than 1.5m.
- And, most surprisingly, the report imagines that revenue would cover current expenditure within two to three months of the launch – a feat not matched in radical newspaper journalism since Feargus O'Connor launched the *Northern Star* in 1837.

Some assumptions made by the report about the editorial content of the paper are also open to question. Lord McCarthy rightly stresses the need for editorial independence, and builds in institutional safeguard to achieve this. But he is unrealistic in believing that a paper with a tiny editorial staff (a mere 17 per cent of the number employed, for example, on *The Times*) could produce a paper "offering new standards of excellence in British journalism."

The new paper would need bigger funds than the £6.7m projected by Lord McCarthy. But this cost, even if underestimated, is small by comparison with the price which unions, and their members, would pay for not effectively putting across their case. It is a pity that the present generation of union leaders is not far-sighted enough to recognize this.

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£8,500 Neg.
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Please call Roy Stopton 734 8466
Stopton Associates Rec Con

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Our client, a well known International fashion house requires a first class secretary to act as 2nd PA to the Chairman. Excellent skills (110/60) plus a good appearance and telephone manner are necessary. A busy, involving position with plenty of international telephone work and client contact. Languages useful. 24+. Salary £7,500 plus benefits.
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£8,000 aae – W1

Small, established finance co. require an efficient, numerate Sh. Secretary to work for 2 gentlemen. Min speeds 100/60 wpm. Applicants must be well spoken presentable and willing to get involved. Punctuality and a good memory are essential.
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Young dynamic American exec. is desperately searching for the unique sec. who has the same drive & ambition as himself. Must possess great sense of humour & love the stimulation of international client contact, and above all have the ability to organise and make own decisions. If you feel you have these exceptional qualities then phone for an appointment and speak to:
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The Appeals Director needs a flexible and cheerful Assistant to help administer all aspects of national publicity and fund-raising. Must be experienced in all secretarial skills and enjoy figures. Starting salary c£7,500, plus excellent benefits, a happy atmosphere and good prospects.
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£7,500. International shipping group in Fenchurch Street require an experienced administrator 100/60 wpm. 50/50 sec/admin, heavily involved in committee organisation and presentation at exec level. Own office, interesting and responsible liaison position. V. friendly office. Good benefits. 35hr week.
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John Murray Assoc Agy

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Experienced Secretary / PA for Partners Architects' Practice Kensington. SH/Audio. Good typing speeds. Admin ability. Refs. required. Age 25-45.
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Audio typing plus ability to use word processor required for Mayfair surveyors. Salary c £7,250 p.a.
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Ref AWK/GRS

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RECEPTIONIST. [illegible]

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STOCKBROKING/INVESTMENT [illegible]

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The Order of Christian Unity, an inter-denominational charity, is seeking a Christian Secretary to work with the Director and the small team at the Orders Headquarters in Christian Unity House. The work includes audio typing, liason with OCU committees and conference organization; tact and flexibility essential. Word-processing facility required or training available. Salary £5,500 to £7,000 dependent on age and experience. Age late 20s to mid 40s preferred.
Please write, giving full details of qualifications and experience to:
The Director,
Order of Christian Unity,
Christian Unity House,
58 Hanover Gardens,
London SE1 5TN



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SECRETARY

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Apply to Professor P. J. Dowling, Department of Civil Engineering, Imperial College, London SW7 2BU (Tel 01-589 5111, ext 1304).

A national firm of chartered surveyors in Lincoln's Inn Fields WC2 require an intelligent secretary who would be willing to operate their Apple micro computer and word-processor, training for which would be given. Salary negotiable. Please telephone.

Mrs Sandall on
01-242 3121
for full details
No agencies please

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Company/commercial or conveyancing, well spoken/groomed, to work for senior partner. Age 24-40. 1 minute Moorgate Tube.

Kingsland Personnel Consultants
623 4226

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Medium sized firm of Chartered Accountants in the City need a cook who is able to work under pressure to prepare meals ranging from simple lunches to client functions. Minimum 3-4 years relevant experience. £8,000 + pa, bright modern kitchen.
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The surge in house prices we have seen in the last six months is tempting owners of near-derelict country cottages to sell. Leading country agents report a sharp rise in demand for all types of rural homes, but notably for cottages in need of renovation.

Buyers, however, should steel themselves for a shock when it comes to negotiating the price. Do not expect to buy a tumbledown cottage for a few thousand pounds which can be converted into a "bijou residence" in a few months at a cost of a further £5,000-£10,000 – as one could during the country house boom of the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Sussex agents King & Chasemore, who have been in business for almost a century and a half, say that prices are reaching record levels.

Nicholas Moore, a partner in the firm, who is based in Pulborough, says that because of the keen competition selling by auction is the most advantageous way of disposing of their properties.

King & Chasemore recently sold two three-bedroomed West Sussex cottages, standing on small plots, for £67,000, the other for £70,000 – hardly the sort of prices many buyers would consider as suitable for a weekend or holiday retreats.

But the price of a cottage with a sizable plot can really soar. The firm expects to sell Winterfields Farm, a three-bedroomed thatched home on almost 27 acres at Pulborough, probably by auction, and say it has already attracted considerable interest. It is described as "ripe for modernization" (which probably means in need of total renovation). The agents say they expect the £100,000 guide price will be exceeded.

Pearsons of Hampshire, agents with more than 20 offices throughout southern England, have also noted increasing demand for cottages in need of complete modernization. The firm is offering two adjoining thatched cottages in the north Hampshire village of Overton, eight miles from Basingstoke and four miles from the M3 motorway.

As a pair they would cost about £55,000, and a total renovation would add £20,000 or so. At the moment, however, Pearsons are offering the properties separately as improvement grants may be obtainable if they remain as two homes.

One of them, No 7, Bridge Street, dates back to 1580. It is a timber-framed, semi-detached dwelling which includes a large inglenook fireplace and bread-oven in the sitting-room. There are four rooms downstairs, two upstairs, and there is a garden. The cottage next door is believed to have been constructed in 1750. The ground floor has a sitting-room also with inglenook and bread-oven and a kitchen. There are two bedrooms above.

If the thought of living on a building site is a tiresome prospect there are opportunities to buy a renovated thatched country cottage in the New Forest, though Lymington agents Jackson & Jackson say that charming period cottages are fairly rare there.

Paul Jackson, one of the partners points out that the New Forest has always been a fairly underdeveloped area. "This has led in modern times to a real dearth of older properties with character, so an owner of a thatched cottage has a really valuable asset," he says.

His firm has on the market examples of cottages which have been renovated without regard to cost. Peckhams Cottage at Minstead is a 300-year-old half-timbered property with a garden and paddock extending to about two acres. Offers around £110,000 are expected.

The other property, called Rowleys Holb, is on the edge of Beaulieu village. It has recently been re-wired and re-thatched. One of its interesting features is a galleried drawing-room. There are a four bedrooms, two bathrooms and a further reception room. The house stands on one-third of an acre. The asking price is £123,000.

Further up market is Eaton Cottage, near Congleton, Cheshire, which is in the hands of the Chester office of Strutt & Parker Leathes & Bickerton. Since the detached house was built almost 200 years ago it has had only three owners. The property stands in just over nine acres and the agents are seeking offers around £175,000.

Dilapidated, but dear

So strong is the demand for country cottages that this rather dilapidated brick-built farm worker's dwelling in two acres of land realized £50,000 – £15,000 more than the pre-auction estimate. Known as Elm Tree Cottage, it is located at Berrow Hill between Hanbury and Feckenham in the Midlands. It was sold by auction last month through Banks & Silvers.



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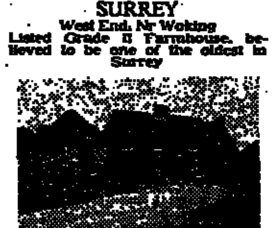
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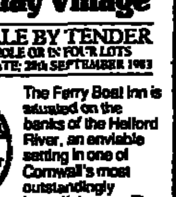
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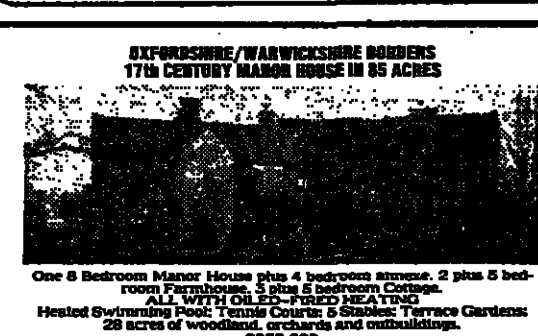
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Notice is hereby given that the last day for lodging transfers will be at the close of business on 11th August, 1983 at 5.00 p.m.
By order of the Board

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear

BBC 1

Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, traffic and sports details. Also available to viewers with television sets that do not have the teletext facility.

Breakfast Time presented by Nick Ross and Selina Scott. The guest is Barry Sheen. News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; keep fit between 6.45 and 7.00; tonight's television previewed between 7.15 and 7.30; pop music news between 7.30 and 7.45; review of the morning papers at 7.32 and 7.45; horoscopes between 8.30 and 8.45; food and cooking hints between 8.45 and 9.00. Closedown at 9.00.

Cricket Peter West introduces live coverage of the morning session in one of the NatWest Bank Trophy matches. There is further coverage on this channel at 1.20 and on BBC 2 at 4.15 with highlights at 11.45.

News After Noon with Michael Cole and Noreen Bray. The weather prospects come from Bill Giles. 1.07 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.10 Bric-a-Brac. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r).

Cricket. Further coverage of one of the matches in the second round of the NatWest Bank Trophy competition. 4.18 Regional news (not London).

) Play School. Shown earlier on BBC 2. 4.45 Cartoon: Boss Cat in Sergeant Top Cat (r). 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. The latest world news for young people. 5.10 Wild Falklands. Tony Soper on a three-day visit to the South Atlantic to examine the wildlife of the battle-scarred islands.

0 News with Moira Stuart. 6.00 South East at Six.

5 Nationwide.

0 Paddles Up. Heat two of the BBC Paddles Up Trophy and seven of the world's best canoeist compete against the clock on a tough course on the River Dee in Wales. The two fastest go through to the final. The commentators are Alan Parry and John Gosling.

5 Film: The Private War of Major Benson (1955) starring Charlton Heston and Julie Adams. Comedy about a hard-bitten regular soldier who is assigned to the post of training officer at a military academy run by an order of nuns. Directed by Jerry Hopper.

00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

.05 News with Michael Buerk.

30 The Black Adder. The final episode and in a desperate attempt to gain the throne the dastardly Black Adder searches for the country's seven evil men. Will he succeed or will the man they call the Moorhen stop the Adder's heinous plot? Rik Mayall plays the part of Mad Gerald and Rowan Atkinson the Black Adder.

5 The Royal International Horse Show introduced by David Vine from the White City. Highlights of tonight's events are the Queen Elizabeth II Cup and the King George V Gold Cup.

5 News Headlines.

0 Flamingo Road. Embarrassment for Constance when her new flame, Julio, is accused of stealing jewelry.

0 Weather.

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00 today's guest, from 6.33, is Catherine Bramwell-Booth, 100 years old today; 6.45 cartoon; Eve Pollard reviews the morning papers at 7.05; sport at 7.45; Bowie video at 7.55; Bill Simpson's star forecast at 8.05; today's television previewed at 8.35; video news at 8.40; baby talk at 9.03; and exercises with Mad Lizzie at 9.15.

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9.25 Thames news headlines followed by Sesame Street: Education with a difference. 10.25 Science International. What's new in scientific research. 10.35 The Greatest Thinkers. Machiavelli. 11.00 The Sinbad Voyage. Part three of a voyage of discovery. 11.50 Cartoon Time. The Separated Credo.

12.00 Button Moon Rocket adventures with puppets (r) 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets (r) 12.30 The Electric Theatre Show. John Doran talks to Burt Lancaster about his acting career and his latest picture, Local Hero.

1.00 News 1.20 Thames news 1.30 Emmerdale Farm. Christmas is a-coming and the Sugdens and the Skilbecks prepare for the occasion (r) 2.00 A Plus introduced by Mary Parkinson. Guest of honour is Catherine Bramwell-Booth, 100 years old today.

2.30 A Country Practice. Drama serial about life in a small Australian sheep town. This week, the threat of big industry divides the town 3.30 Definition. Crossword game for all the family, presented by Jeremy Beadle. The celebrity guests are Kate O'Mara and Tony Blackburn.

4.00 Rod, Jane and Freddy in Slumberland (r) 4.15 Cartoon: Victor and Maria 4.20 Emu's World. Another adventure with Rod Hull and his uncontrollable pet (r) 4.45 What's Happening. Mercia Sound meet Radio Forth in this week's news quiz 5.15 Gambit. Quiz game for married couples, presented by Tom Connor.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! John Murray reports from the 50+ Exhibition at the National Exhibition Centre in Kensington.

7.00 Where There's Life ... presented by Miriam Stoppard and Rob Buckman. Miriam Stoppard meets a doctor who believes he knows why the Japanese are so successful.

7.30 Coronation Street. Alf Roberts warns Bet Lynch that she is playing with fire.

8.00 Starburst. Variety programme with Jim Bowen and Chas and Dave topping the bill. The supporting acts include Jane Darling, Dave Ismay, Bernie Clifton and Ricochet.

9.00 Jemima Shore Investigates: A Model Murder. The high-flying investigative television reporter links a spy master with the murder of a model.

10.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

10.05 News followed by Thames news headlines.

10.35 Miss Universe 1983. Highlights from last week's competition staged in St Louis, Missouri. The host is Bob Barker.

12.25 Close with Sir Michael Hordern.

Paul Jones as Captain Macheath: Channel 4, 9.00 pm

● Worlds Apart, a documentary series about communities that, for one reason or another, live in isolation, away from the rest of their country's population, begins with THE MURIA (BBC 2 9.30pm). This 85,000-strong tribe live in Central India, near the Tibetan border, in an area completely encircled by mountains. Far from being poor and primitive, the Muria are landowners, self-sufficient and, in one way, more progressive than Westerners. When their children reach puberty they leave the parental home to live in a communal 'ghotul' – a kind of enlightened youth club where, the theory goes, they learn to be adult. Although not allowed to marry a co-member of the ghotul, the girl can choose a boyfriend and strong attractions, sometimes leading to pregnancy, are formed. As the

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parents choose their children's spouse while they are still babies, this state of affairs can lead to complications. Worlds Apart follows through one such case with its village 'trial' of the two young people concerned and the deals between the prospective in-laws. This documentary on a seemingly contented people is a welcome relief from most others of the genre which usually illustrate abject poverty and despair.

● One hundred and fifty years ago this month a mild Oxford University don preached a sermon in St Mary's Church, Oxford, that had far-reaching repercussions for the Church of England. John Keble was the preacher and from his sermon grew what was to be called the Oxford Movement. From the pulpit Keble questioned the traditional role of government in Church appointments by asking 'who controls the Church, God or man?' Richard Harries, Dean of King's College, London, in this first of a two-part series, JOHN KEBLE AND THE OXFORD MOVEMENT (Radio 4 8.45pm) discusses the history of the Movement with Sir Owen Chadwick, Regius Professor of Modern History at Cambridge and Canon Donald Aichin.

● Following a brief holiday, presumably to rest his battle-scarred body, the intrepid Roger Cook returns tonight with another new series of CHECKPOINT (Radio 4 7.20pm) in which he leaves no stone unturned in his fearless pursuit of justice for the conned consumer.

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6.05 Open University: Architecture and Society. 6.30 Community Theatre. 6.55 Geology: Deserts. 7.20 Constable and Turner. 7.45 History of Mathematics. 8.10 Closedown.

10.15 Gharbar. Magazine programme of interest to Asian women.

10.30 Play School. 10.55 Closedown.

12.30 Open University: The Pre-school Child: All in a Day's Work. 12.55 Childhood 5-10: Starting School. 1.20 Closedown.

4.15 Cricket. Peter West introduces live coverage of one of today's matches in the second round of the NatWest Trophy competition.

5.10 The Mosque: Prayer in its Setting. An Open University production that examines the nature and function of the mosque.

5.40 Cartoon: Doctor Blue Bird, from the Columbia studios.

5.50 180 Not Out. Catherine Bramwell-Booth, celebrating her 100th birthday today, in conversation with 80-year old Malcolm Muggeridge. On the matter of death they are divided – the centenarian loves life and wishes to go on living it to the full, while the young octogenarian can't wait to meet his maker.

6.30 Junior Pot Black. The second semi-final is between the 1983 British Junior under 16 champion, Stephen Henry from Fife and Steve Ventham of Mitcham, the 1982 British Junior under 16 champion.

6.55 Six Fifty-five. Among the guests at the Pebble Mill courtyard is classical Spanish guitarist, Angel Romero.

7.30 News headlines, with subtitles.

7.35 Travel Show presented by Paul Heiney and Lucie Skeaping. Are duty-free shops a rip-off?.

8.05 The Year of the French: July: The Seaside Hoteliers. (r).

8.35 Discovering Hedgerows. David Streeter and Rosamund Richardson examine the insects and fruit of hedgerows in July. (r).

9.00 Film Buff of the Year presented by Robin Ray. This last qualifying heat has competitors answering questions on British musicals, gangster films of the 30s, Ingrid Bergman and Frank Sinatra.

9.30 Worlds Apart. A documentary about the Muria tribe of central India.

10.20 Cardiff Singer of the World. The third preliminary round features singers from Eire, Italy and Greece.

10.55 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

11.00 Newsnight.

11.45 Cricket. Highlights from one of today's games in the second round of the NatWest Trophy.

12.15 Open University: Systems Performance: Earthquakes. 12.40 Instrumentation: Signals and Noise. 1.10 Closedown.

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5.30 Everybody Here. The last programme in the series celebrating the various cultural backgrounds of Britain's youngsters. Included in the programme is an item about a group of children preparing for last year's Notting Hill carnival and a visit behind-the-scenes to a local radio station which was prompted by a young Asian girl who wrote to BRMB, Birmingham requesting a guided tour.

6.00 Ulster Landscapes. The third programme in the series that traces the physical history of Ulster. Professor Peter Woodman, who has excavated a site near Coleraine and unearthed evidence of human occupation 9,000 years ago, discusses his finds and also the excavations at Carnlough where there is also evidence of human activity thousands of years old.

6.30 The Munsters* Herman's son, Eddie, tells his teacher that his father is a brilliant magician and enters him for the school talent show. Herman, in order not to let his son down, reluctantly accepts help from grandad.

7.00 Channel Four News With headlines at 7.30 followed by Jane Corbin and Lawrence McGinty's Science Focus. City news is at 7.40.

7.50 Comment. The political spot this week is taken by the president of the Social Democratic Party, Mrs Shirley Williams.

8.00 Brookside. Roger tells his wife, Heather, that he will go alone to the gardening centre because he has something on his mind he needs to sort out. This turns out to be Diane McAllister who is waiting for him in order to repeat her proposition.

8.30 Opinions. Jo Grimond, who retired from Parliament before the last election, talks about his 33 years as an MP and his 11 years as leader of the Liberal Party. He discusses his political beliefs and his hopes for the Liberal Party in the next decade.

9.00 National Theatre of Great Britain: The Beggar's Opera. John Gay's 18th Century musical hit stars Paul Jones as the profligate Macheath, promised to the highly-strung Lucy Lockit but married to the beautiful Polly Peachum. He faces death by hanging because of his lusty and lecherous ways. With Imeda Staunton and Belinda Sinclair as Lucy and Polly.

11.20 Edible Gold. The second in the series of poems chosen and read by Christopher Logue is Shakespeare's Clarence's Dream.

11.25 The Tudor Face. Sir Roy Strong, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum, examines Tudor Miniatures from Ham House and the V and A and explains how they reveal what life was like for the sitters four centuries ago.

12.00 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News briefing.
6.10 Farming today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.45 Prayer for the Day 6.55, 7.55 Weather 7.00, 8.00 Today's News 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.30, 8.30 News Summary 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57 Weather; Travel
9.00 News; Midweek – Henry Kelly†
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. From Blackpool (r).
10.30 Morning Story: 'Mrs Fitzgerald' by Lisa Taylor. Read by Shirley Dixon.
10.45 Daily Service from St Andrew's & St George's Church, Edinburgh†
11.00 News & Travel; Baker's Dozen, Richard Baker with records†
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice†
12.27 Pay any Price, by Ted Allbeury. Episode 3 of the Thriller starring Barry Foster and Robert Beatty† 12.55 Weather; Travel; Programme News.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.35 A Party Political Broadcast by the Conservative Party.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Julie Walters, the actress, is guest of the week. Plus Helene Hanff's New York report and an item about holidaymakers who exchange homes. There is also episode 6 of The High Path, read by John Pullen. It is the autobiography of the poet Ted Walker.
3.00 News; Afternoon Theatre 'Snapshots' by Jo Gill. With Kate Lee and Rosalind Adams†
3.47 Time For Verse. The English in Egypt. Presented by Kevin Crossley-Holland.
4.00 News; Just After Four. Malcolm Stent looks back.
4.10 File on 4.
4.40 Story Time: 'Tulku' by Peter Dickinson (3).
5.00 PM: News Magazine 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six O'clock News: Financial Report.
6.30 My Music Quiz. The question master is Steve Race†
7.00 News; The Archers.
7.20 Checkpoint (new series). The return of investigator extraordinary Roger Cook.
7.45 Eccentric Travellers, William Gifford Palgrave. Peter Barkworth plays the man who, in 1862, made a remarkable journey through Arabia. Perhaps the most dramatic element in his story was not, however, to do with travel but with the fact that Palgrave – a Jew who was ordained into the Roman Catholic priesthood – was also a spy, working for the French. Tonight's feature was written by John Keay, and is narrated by John Rowe (r).
8.30 Elkins in Israel. Michael Elkins on modern Israeli history.
8.45 John Keble and The Oxford Movement. Richard Harries, Dean of King's College, London, charts the course of the Oxford Movement, or 'Catholic Revival'. He talks to Owen Chadwick and Donald Aichin about the history of the movement, to Donald Gray and Rowan Williams about the cultural and social implications of the new wisdom, and to Kenneth Leech and Trevor Huddleston about the modern Catholic wing of the Church of England†
9.30 Kaleidoscope. A tribute to Sir William Walton. Contributors include Laurence Olivier and Tony Palmer. 9.59 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight: News.
10.30 Radio Active†
11.00 A Book At Bedtime: 'I'm the King of the Castle' by Susan Hill (3). Read by Lynn Farleigh.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News; Weather.
12.15 Shipping Forecast. ENGLAND VHF with lf above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.0 Study on 4: We Can Do That. (Employment in the 80s) (2). 11.30-12.10am Open University: 11.30 The Classical Orchestra 11.50 A Marxist Testimony.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Choice Record requests: Vierne (Symph No 3, Op 28), Glinka (Trio pathétique), Elgar (Suite: The Starlight Express), with Cynthia Glover (soprano) and John Lawrenson (baritone)†
8.00 News.
8.05 Your Midweek Choice (continued) Coates (March: Queen Elizabeth) Puccini (Nessun dorma, Gigli), Chabrier (Idylle), Kalinnikov (Symph No 1 in G minor).
9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Tchaikovsky – chamber music and songs. Includes piano trio in A minor, Op 50 (Ashkenazy, Perlman, Harrell)†
10.00 Joachim Raff: Songs and chamber music. With Eiddwen Harrhy (soprano). Includes Cavatina for violin and piano (with Manoug Parikian and Antony Saunders), the Pastorale and Scherzino for violin and piano, and the first setting of Tears, idle tears†
10.25 La Boutique Fantasque Rossini arr. Respighi; record. Antal Dorati conducts – the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra†
11.00 Shostakovich Piano Trios Recital by Eliso Virsaladze (piano), Oleg Kagan (violin) and Natalia Gutman (cello). We hear the trios Nos 1 and 2†
11.45 Dvorak Symphony No 5; record. Played by the LSO under Kertesz†
12.30 Alistair Cooke's Jazzman Bix Beiderbecke (r).
1.00 News.
1.05 Beethoven: Violin Sonatas; records. David Oistrakh and Lev Oborin pl the sonatas in E flat, Op 12 No 3, and in A, Op 47 (Kreutzer)†
2.00 Twentieth-Century British Music: Stanford, Bridge, Britten, Berkeley, Jones. Includes Bridge's Novelleten, Britten's Piano Concerto, and Daniel Jones's Symphony No 8. We also hear Lennox Berkeley's Serenade for Strings, and Stanford's Clarinet Concerto in A Minor†
4.00 Choral Evensong from Southwark Cathedral, London.
4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure. Music by Saint-Saëns, Bach and Mozart. Presented by Donald Macleod†
6.30 Jazz Today. Presented by Charles Fox†
7.00 Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. Concert recorded March 1982. Part I: Mozart. (Symphony No 33 in B flat; K319)†
7.25 Six Continents. With Ian McDougall.
7.45 Concert Part 2: Bruckner (Symphony No 7)†
9.00 Kin: A play by Gabriel Josipovici. Two men (Kenneth Haigh, Bernard Gallagher) are in an empty room. But who are they? And are they there at all?†
9.20 Ann Murray and Philip Langridge. Duets and songs by Schubert and Schumann. The accompanist is John Constable†
10.15 Pro Arte Wind Quintet of Zurich. Reicha, Dinu Lipatti, Milhaud. Includes Reicha's Quintet in A minor, Op 91, No 2 as well as Dino Lipatti's Aubade for woodwind quartet, and Milhaud's la cheminée du Roi René. The performers are Werner Zumsteg, Francis Hunter, Pamela Hunter, Glen Barling and Thomas Sosnowski (r)†
11.15 News.
VHF only – Open University: 11.20pm Social Sciences Magazine (5). 11.40-12.00 Class Reproduction.

Radio 2

News on the hour every hour (except 8.00pm and 9.00) Major Bulletins: 7.00am, 8.00, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 5.00 Ray Moore† 7.30 Terry Wogan† 10.00 Jimmy Young† 12.00pm Music While You Work. 12.30 Gloria Hunniford† including 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.30 Ed Stewart in Bristol† including 3.02 Sports Desk. The programme comes from Frenchay hospital in Bristol where Ed Stewart will be meeting staff and patients. He will visit the garden for the disabled, and the spina bifida unit, as well as the geriatric day centre. 4.00 David Hamilton† including 4.02, 5.30 Sports Desk. 6.00 John Dunn† including 6.45 Sport and Classified Results. 7.26 Cricket Desk. 7.30 Robert Mandell† Rhapsody for Strings. 8.15 Listen to the Band Charlie Chester introduces performances by the massed bands of the Fodens OTS Band, the Cory Band, and Besses o' th' Barn.† 9.00 The Organist Entertains with Nigel Ogden† 9.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 9.57 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Show With No Name. With Eddie Braben, Eli Woods and Alison Steadman. Music by Eddie Thompson Trio. 10.30 Racing Desk. 10.30 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 11.02 Show Jumping Desk. 1.00am Folk on 2† 2.00-5.00 Patrick Lunt presents You and the Night and the Music. The early morning show also features Julie Dawn and her Penfriend Corner.†

Radio 1

New on the half hour from 6.30am until 8.30pm and then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 6.00 Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.00 Dave Lee Travis with the Radio 1 Roadshow in Tenby. 12.30 Newsbeat. 12.45pm Mike Smith. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell, including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 Radio 1 mailbag. 8.00 David Jensen. 10.00 John Peel† 12.00 midnight Close. VHF Radios 1 and 2 5.00am With Radio 2 10.00pm With Radio 1 12.00-5.00am With Radio 2

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6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Music around the World. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Kings of Jazz. 7.45 Report on Religion. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Brahms Miniatures. 8.30 Clayton's Zodiac. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Wagner's Ring. 10.15 Whip Hand. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 Listening Post. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Nature Notebook. 12.25 The Farming World. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Verdi and his World. 2.15 Report on Religion. 2.30 Women in Love. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Music Around the World. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Assignment. 9.00 Network UK. 9.15 Stories by Saki. 9.30 Jazz for the asking. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Whip Hand. 11.30 Top Twenty. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Listening Post. 12.45 Clayton's Zodiac. 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Here and Now. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Assignment. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News about Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 A Musical Offering. 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.

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† Stereo. ★Black and white. (r) Repeat.

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BBC1 WALES: 1.07 pm-1.10 News of Wales Headlines. 4.18-4.20 News of Wales Headlines. 6.00-6.25 Wales Today. 12.00 News and weather. SCOTLAND: 9.15 am Blue Peter Goes Silver. 9.40 Jackanory. 9.55 Willo the Wisp. 10.00-10.25 Why Don't You ... ? 1.05 pm-1.10 The Scottish News. 6.00-6.25 Reporting Scotland. 12.00 News and weather. NORTHERN IRELAND: 9.15 am Blue Peter Goes Silver. 9.40 Jackanory. 9.55 Willo the Wisp. 10.00-10.25 Why Don't You ... ? 1.07 pm-1.10 Northern Ireland News. 4.18-4.20 Northern Ireland News. 6.00-6.25 Scene Around Six. 12.00 News and weather. ENGLAND: 6.00 pm-6.25 Regional news magazines. 12.05 am Close.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20-1.30 Channel News and Weather. 2.30 The Flame Trees of Thika. 3.30-4.00 Mork and Mindy. 5.15 Puffin's Pla(i)ce. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 Nine to Five. 10.00-10.05 Wine Background. 10.35-10.39 Channel News and Weather. 12.25 News and Weather in French, Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25-9.30 North East News. 10.25 Lithuania. 11.15 Fangface. 11.35-12.00 Sport Billy. 1.20 North East News. 1.25-1.30 Where the Jobs Are. 2.30-3.30 The Chisholms. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 10.35-10.37 North East News. 12.05 Epilogue. 12.10 Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

TVS As London except: 9.25-9.28 TV News. 10.25 Father Murphy. 11.15 Flying Kiwi. 11.45-12.00 Laurel and Hardy. 5.15-5.45 Joanie Loves Chachi. 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast. 12.25 Company, closedown.

ULSTER As London Except: 9.25-9.30 The Day Ahead. 10.30 The Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel. 10.40 The Adventures of Black Beauty. 11.05 Stingray. 11.30-12.00 3.2.1 Contact. 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 2.30-3.30 Space 1999. 3.58-4.00 Ulster News. 5.15-5.45 Joanie Loves Chachi. 6.00-6.35 Good Evening, Ulster. 12.25 News.

S4C 2.20 Ffalabalam. 2.35 Interval. 3.45 Years Ahead. 4.25 For What It's Worth. 4.55 Pili-Pala. 5.00 The Munsters. 6.00 Brookside. 6.25 WKRP in Cincinnati. 6.55 Gair Yn El Bryd. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Awyr Iach. 8.00 Llun Ar Y Sgrin. 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. News Headlines. 9.00 Film: The House on Garibaldi Street. 10.45 Opinions. 11.15 Kelly Monteith's Swinging London. 12.10 Gair Yn El Bryd. 12.15 Close. ends

ANGLIA As London except: 10.25 Cartoon Time. 10.40 The Music of Man. 11.35-12.00 Spread Your Wings. 1.20-1.30 Anglia News. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00-6.35 About Anglia. 12.25 The Orthodox Way, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 9.25-9.30 Weather. 10.25 Portraits of Power. 10.50 Spiders: Backyard Science. 11.00 Video Sounds. 11.30 Vicky the Viking. 11.55-12.00 The Wonderful Stories of Professor Kitzel. 1.20-1.30 Calendar News. 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.00-6.35 Calendar.

TSW As London except: 10.25-12.00 Film: Top Secret*. 1.20-1.30 TSW News headlines. 2.30 The Flame Trees of Thika. 3.30-4.00 Mork and Mindy. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 9 to 5. 10.37-10.39 TSW News and Weather. 12.30 Postscript. 12.35 Weather and Shipping forecast. 12.36 Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 10.25 Film: Good Morning Boys!* (Will Hay). 11.40 The Art of Ceramic Decorating. 11.50-12.00 Wattoo Wattoo. 1.20-1.30 Granada Reports. 2.00 Music on the Move. 5.15-5.45 The Beverly Hillbillies. 6.00 This is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports.

BORDER As London except: 10.25 Paint along with Nancy. 10.55 The Poseidon Files. 11.45-12.00 European Folk Tales. 1.20 Border News. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00-6.35 Lookaround Wednesday. 12.35 Border News. 12.38 Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 10.25 Wilkie in Winter. 10.50 Dinah Saur Show. 11.00 Crazy World of Sport. 11.25 3-2-1 Contact. 11.55-12.00 Cartoon Time. 1.20-1.30 HTV News. 2.30 Star Class Golf. 3.00-4.00 A Country Practice. 5.15-5.45 Make Me Laugh. 6.30-6.35 HTV News.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00-6.35 Wales at Six.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25-9.30 First Thing. 10.25 The Lost Kingdom. 10.50 Sinbad Voyage. 11.50-12 Hellas and Bachelor. 12.30-1.00 Indoor Bowls. 1.20-1.30 North News. 2.30-3.30 Father Murphy. 5.15-5.45 Over the Garden Wall. 6.00-6.35 Summer at Six and Weather. 12.25 North Headlines and Weather. 12.30 Closedown.

STV A London except: 10.25 To the Wild Country. 11.15 The Flying Kiwi. 11.40-12.00 Fangface. 1.20-1.30 Scottish News. 2.30-3.30 The Love Boat. 5.15 Tales at Teatime. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 The Video Entertainers. 10.25 Late Call. 12.30 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.35 3-2-1 Contact. 10.00 Gather Your Dreams. 10.30 The New Fred and Barney Show. 11.00-12.00 Nova. 1.20-1.30 Central News. 2.30 Simon & Simon. 3.30-4.00 Sons and Daughters. 5.15-5.45 Diff'rent Strokes. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25-7.00 Central News.

Survivor tells of helicopter's last second

From a Staff Reporter, St Mary's

The last second before the Scilly Isles helicopter Oscar November sank was vividly described yesterday by one of the six survivors. Mr Lucille Langley-Williams said she had heard and felt a crack followed by three jerks almost sumultaneously and before she could ask a friend what had happended "the water was up to my chest".

Mrs Langley-Williams, an Isles of Scilly councillor, said: "It was very quick. I bumped forwards and hit my head on the seat in fromt."

She turned to her friend, Mrs Megan Smith, aged 60, to ask "what the hell is going on?" but could only utter one word before sea-water swept into the passenger compartment.

Mrs Langley-Williams was speaking from St Mary's hostel where she is being treated for three cracked ribs. She and Mrs Smith had been visiting Penzance for a health authority meeting and were returning to the Isles of Scilly when the accident happened Saturday.

As the water rushed in "I closed my mouth and took a deep breath and by then I was under water".

Her seat had twisted round on impact and the seat-belt had tightened. She struggled to undo it. "I realised I had not got an awful lot of breath left. I got the seat belt undone and went to the door. A handle was there and I pushed it. It moved and I went up."

When she emerged on the surface she found the two pilots, Mrs Smith and two children, Harold Goddard, aged 12, and Ellen Hanslow, aged 15.

Helicopters searching for them at one time were directly overhead but not visible because of thick mist. The survivors heard the maroons go off on St Mary's signalling the lifeboat crew to launch. Mrs Langley-Williams said the children wanted to know what the procedure was for rescue operations. "We were just chatting about what would happen and I said the boat was on the way."

Searchers find 17 bodies in crashed helicopters

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Yesterday Miss Lynda King Taylor, the journalist who flew to the Isle of Scilly four days before the fatal accident, denied points made by Mr Michael Ginn, managing director of BA Helicopters, quoted in *The Times* yesterday.

She denied that she had travelled with a press party, as Mr Ginn had suggested, but rather on a later flight in the company of other tourists. She repeated that they had been allowed to roam freely about the aircraft, taking photographs while the seat belt signs were illuminated.

She also said that Mr Ginn's assertion that BA had supplied the police with a full passenger list two hours after the accident did not correspond with the Exeter police's account; they said they had been hampered in identifying bodies by the absence of a full passenger list.

Local hotelliers, she added had said they had been working late on Saturday night helping the police by ringing round to check on which holidaymakers had failed to arrive at their destinations.

Mr Ginn did not respond to Miss King Taylor's other allegations that the emergency exit signs were not pointed out and were not manned by cabin staff; they were, she said, obstructed by hand luggage.

Nor did he respond to her allegations that the brief safety announcement was inaudible and that there were no safety instructions in her seat, or in those of two companions.

Mr David Learmont, a former RAF pilot and editor of the air transport section of the magazine *Flight International*, said yesterday that the points detailed by Miss King Taylor, if correct, amounted to extreme sloppiness on the airline's part.

He said that, although directives within BA Helicopters would be the same in the North Sea as on the Isles of Scilly run, it was only in the North Sea that the commercial pressures were acute.

He added that there was "a buyer's market for aircrew" and that pilots, who were not well paid, were having to put up with less favourable conditions because of economic circumstances.

The Commissioner is 100 today



At home: Commissioner Bramwell-Booth in her garden (Photograph: Brian Harris).

By David Nicholson-Lord

Just a fraction of a century younger than the institution she has served so faithfully for so long, Salvation Army Commissioner Catherine Bramwell-Booth celebrates her hundredth birthday today in the rural seclusion of her home at Finchampstead, near Wokingham, Berkshire.

Appearances of retirement are deceptive, however. Exactly 118 years after the army was founded by her grandfather, the commissioner's uniform is as crisp and neat as ever, her teetotal convictions unaltered and her belief in God, the Devil and the vital business of saving souls intact. Over the last century, she says, she has had some "wonderful times with the Lord".

More particularly, she has developed her own distinctive brand of spreading the word. She has appeared on television chat shows. She has been honoured by the Guild of Toastmasters. She has given 30 interviews already this year. She is, in the words of one senior Salvation Army official, "the best public relations officer we've got".

Commissioner Bramwell-Booth is tall, crisp, and straight-backed, with a twinkle in her eye and an air of not standing too much nonsense from others. She believes in direct talking, loves an argument and has been known to exercise an acutely tonic effect on television hosts whose manners slip.



Looking back: Aged 19, when she began officer training

She was one of seven children born to Bramwell Booth, son of the Salvation Army's founder, and his wife Florence. A surviving brother lives in Buckinghamshire. Two younger sisters – Olive, aged 91, and Dora, aged 90, respectively a colonel and a major in the Salvation Army – share the house in Berkshire and with Madge, aged 84, the cook, will be joining in the celebrations today.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Son of Civilization fights the Beast

Yesterday brought the first day of a two-day defence debate, as well as the ministerial debut of Mr Alan Clark.

He is the son of one of the most famous Britons of the age: the recently-deceased Lord Clark. But he decided to make his own way in the world. So he did not join the family business, civilization, but he went into Conservative politics instead.

He arrived on the back benches in 1974. He is an expert on defence and has never been identified with such subjects as, say employment.

So, when he was finally brought into the Government after the general election, he was of course sent to the Department of Employment.

At question time yesterday, as the new under secretary, Mr Clark, a notable questioner when on the back benches, found himself giving his first parliamentary answer.

Mr Clark talked about "the success of the pilot scheme." He seemed confident of his knowledge, pilots being the sort of people about whom he displayed knowledge when asking questions concerning his old subject of defence. He was, however, answering a Toru backbencher who had asked him about the progress of special employment and training facilities.

Flying under the radar

While Mr Clark was talking about pilot schemes, Mr Dennis Skinner, the backbencher who used to sit directly opposite him when Mr Clark was a backbencher, tried to fly in under Mr Clark's radar.

As Mr Clark moved towards the dispatch box, his starboard was the target of precision heckling from Mr Skinner a few yards below: "Not very ebullient now, i she? ... eez a bag o' nerves ... not the same is it?"

Wisely, and unlike in the old days, Mr Clark did not exchange shots with Mr Skinner. Instead, he concentrated on satisfying his Tory backbench questioner and landed his brief safely. But in this confrontation between Mr Skinner and Mr Clark, The Beast of Rolsover versus The

Mr Skinner has been having a relatively quiet Parliament so far. We sense in speaking too early with five years to go. He has been confirming himself to an average of a heckle a day, apart from two per Prime Minister's question time.

Balance of tedium

Later, in employment questions yesterday, he asked a question about Freemasons.. He implied that Freemasons were influential or powerful. In this belief, Mr Skinner was part of a great tradition which includes the Inquisition, Mozart's enemies, Hitler, and General Franco, who it may be remembered, is said to have warned against the Freemasons on his deathbed. What do they, and Mr Skinner, know that we do not?

He demanded of Mr John Selwyn Gummer, another Under Secretary at Employment, whether the Government was going to bring in a law to regulate internal elections within freemasonry, as it intended to regulate elections within trade unionism. His point appeared to be to emphasize the unfairness of the government regulating election in one organization, but not in another. Mr Gummer replied that, unlike unions, freemasons did not enjoy legal immunities. That was why the Government thought their elections should be regulated. At this, Mr Skinner scoffed and pointed his finger across the Conservative benches, implying that they were heaving with unregulated freemasons enjoying legal immunities. "Ah, you'll not touch *them*," he cried. It could be that the Conservative backbenches are far less interesting than Mr Skinner is trying to suggest.

Later, the defence debate passed off without serious incident. A balance of tedium was maintained between Mr Michael Heseltine, the Secretary of State, and Mr John Silkin, the chief Opposition spokesman on defence, such as kept the peace during the recent general election and enabled the country to be safely bored by their endless disputation.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Queen holds an Investiture at Buckingham Palace, 11.

The Prince of Wales, President of the Prince's Trust, accompanied by the Princess of Wales, attends a Rock Gala in aid of the Trust at the Dominion Theatre, Tottenham Court Road, 7.50.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits the East of England Show and Foxhound Show at Peterborough, 11.20.

Princess Margaret attends the Royal International Horse Show at White City, 6.45.

The Duke of Kent, as Patron, attends the annual general meeting of the Royal Armoured Corps War Memorial Benevolent Fund, 11.30; and then opens a wing of the Royal Armoured Corps Tank Museum at Bovington, Dorset.

Prince and Princess Michael of Kent attend the Royal Tournament at Earls Court, 7.20.

Exhibitions in progress

One Eye on the Pot, Towneley Hall Art Gallery, Burnley; Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30, Sun 12 to 5 (until Aug 8).

The Lost Rockers of David Oxtoby; recreations of paintings of rock'n'roll stars, Art Gallery and Museum, Schoolhill, Aberdeen; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Thurs 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5 (until July 23).

London exhibitions

Work of young artists: Adam Green, Colin Merrin, Denise Nemtzov, Cliff Resnick, Ben Uri Art Gallery, 21 Dean Street, W1; Mon to Wed 10 to 5, Thurs 10 to 7 (until July 25).

William Hunter (1718-83) and his world, Wellcome Institute Library, 183 Euston Road, NW1; Mon to Fri 9.45 to 5.15 (until Sept 30).

Paintings by Denzil Forrester; and Next Torn No 15, a work by Yoko Terauchi; Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, Hammersmith, W6; Mon 11 to 6, Tues to Sat 11 to 10.30, Sun 12 to 10.30 (until July 24).

Paintings by Barry Cooper, October Gallery, 24 Old Gloucester Street, Queen Square, WC1; Tues to Fri 12.30 to 4.30 (until Aug 5).

The Goldsmith and the Grape: Silver in the service of wine, Goldsmiths Hall, Foster Lane, EC2; Mon to Fri 10.30 to 5 (until July 28).

Attlee centenary exhibition, Limehouse Library, 638 Commercial Road, E14; Mon and Thurs 9 to 8, Tues and Fri 9 to 5, Sat 9 to 12.30, 1.30 to 5 (until Aug 6).

Talks

A Garden Path: Explorations in the use and meaning of garden history, by Bob Jarvis, Laing Art Gallery, Higham Place, Newcastle upon Tyne, 12.30.

Summer pruning of fruit trees and bushes, Royal Horticultural Society Garden, Wisley, near Ripley, Surrey, 2 to 4.

Huddersfield Narrow Canal, by Bob Dewey, Star Inn, King Street, Oldham, 8.

Music

Organ recital by Morley Whitehead, with Elizabeth Harley (contralto), St Mary's Cathedral, Palmerston Place, Edinburgh, 8.

Organ recital by David Bell, St Andrew's Church, Colyton, E Devon, 8.

Recital by All Saints (Ryde) and St Thomas (Newport) Choirs, Ryde Parish Church, Isle of Wight, 8.

Organ recital by R. A. Megraw, First Presbyterian Church, Rosemary Street, Belfast, 1.10.

Recital by Alberni String Quartet, Jesus College Chapel, Cambridge, 8.

Concert by Northern Sinfonia with Paul Tortelier, York Minster, 7.30.

Organ recital by Dudley Holroyd, Bath Abbey, 1.

Organ recital by Stephen Darlington, Norwich Cathedral, 8.

Recital by Kantorei Paulus-Kirche of Germany, Canterbury Cathedral, 12.

Anniversaries

Births: Petrarch, Arezzo, Italy, 1304; Sir Richard Owen, palaeontologist, Lancaster, 1804; Margaret McMillan, educationist, Westchester, New York, 1860; Eric Axel Karlfeldt, poet, Nobel laureate 1931, Folkärna, Sweden 1864.

Deaths: Hugh O'Neill, 2nd Earl of Tyrone, rebel leader against Elizabeth I, Rome, 1616; Andrew Lang, writer, Bangory, Kincardine, 1912; Guglielmo Marconi, Rome, 1937.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No. 16,186

ACROSS

1 Disturbance might in the end, lead to foreign currency (7).
5 Public measure the French rejected as an illusion (7).
9 Caught poor Peter Pan beginning to dress (9).
10 This saw the number X included (5).
11 Angry about Lawrence being in RAF (5).
12 Jackson finds way to add nothing to fresh total (9).
14 Children's story. Its author seen initially in Earl's Court (8,6).
17 Board attended by Holmes's autocrat (9,5).
21 Cuddly type – name Roosevelt had to endure (5,4).
23 Record company supplies Lincoln with £50 retainer (5).
24 Robin has one in drama school turn (5).
25 He may give a commentary at close of play (9).
26 To cheat on rates is a breach of faith (7).
27 Had a shot at a visitor, I hear (7).

DOWN

1 For that reason the enclosure is enclosed (6).
2 Exit for such exercise? (7).
3 Old Wodehouse types discuss childish tale with Jack (9).
4 Protest at former assumption (11).
5 Some society fellows are so queer (3).
6 It's up to the Church to get its share (5).
7 Is a volunteer force unable to compose a musical work? (7).
8 Accommodating sort of countrywoman (8).
13 Causing upset about road diversion (11).
15 This sort of gun is no great nuisance (5-4).
16 Remove a leaf inside, there's a good fellow (8).
18 Final stage of play or play of stage (3-4).
19 House divided against itself settles argument here (7).
20 Scolded for return of details I omitted (6).
22 Force HQ over introduction of severe measures (5).
25 One form of eternity (3).

Solution of Puzzle No. 16,185

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New books – hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:
De Lorean, the Rise and Fall of a Dream Maker, by Ivan Fallon & James Srodes (Hamish Hamilton, £8.95)
How to be Poor, by George Mikes, cartoons by Larry (Andre Deutsch, £4.95)
Letters to a Grandson, by Lord Home (Collins, £6.95)
Sefton, the Story of a Cavalry Horse, by J. N. P. Watson (Souvenir, £8.95)
S. O. Davies, A Socialist Faith, by Robert Griffiths (Gomer, £7.95)
The Last Jews in Berlin, by Leonard Gross (Sidgwick & Jackson, £12.95)
The Novels of Charles Williams, by Thomas T. Howard (Oxford, £16.50)
The Renaissance Artist at Work, from Pisano to Titian, by Bruce Cole (John Murray, £12.50)
The Road to Tara, the life of Margaret Mitchell, author of *Gone With the Wind*, by Anne Edwards (Hodder & Stoughton, £9.95)
This Stage-Play World, English Literature and its Background 1580-1625, by Julia Briggs (Oxford, £9.95)

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National Day

Today Colombia celebrates its National Independence Day commemorating the declaration of independence from Spain by the component parts of the Viceroyalty of New Granada, in 1810. The Battle of Boyacá in 1819 finally secured the freedom of New Granada, consisting of present-day Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador and Panama. The federation lasted little more than a decade, however, before Venezuela and Ecuador seceded. Panama declared its independence in 1903, taking advantage of the disorder caused by a three-year civil war. Colombia is a two-party democracy; the last military coup was in 1953.

The papers

"Those who criticise Prince Charles's speech to police chiefs should listen to what he actually said", the Daily Mirror says.

"What he did say was that stiffer sentences were the wrong way to deal with young people

Commenting on British foreign policy, the Frankfurter Rundschau points to the "lack of far-sight". Political solutions would be possible in Northern Ireland and the Falklands, but "diplomacy is not in demand". Almost no dialogue with the Soviet Union, contacts to the wrong side in Latin America, quiet lifting of pressure on South Africa – still the former empire determines the British political conciousness.

Pollen forecast

	Pollen count	Peak times
Aberdeen	high	3 to 6pm*
Basildon	high	noon to 3 pm
Bath	med	noon to 3 pm
Belfast	high	3 to 6 pm
Bradford		noon to 3 pm
Brighton	high	3 to 6 pm
Carlisle	high	3 to 6 pm
Darlington	high	3 to 6pm
Dudley	high	3 to 6 pm
Edinburgh	high	6 to 9pm
Exeter	–	–
Glasgow	high	3 to 6 pm
Hull	high	3 to 6 pm
Leeds	high	3 to 6 pm
Lincoln	med	3 to 6 pm
Maidstone	high	3 to 6 pm
Norwich	high	3 to 6 pm
Preston	high	noon to 3 pm
Reading	high	3 to 6 pm
Rotherham	high	3 to 6 pm
Runcorn	high	noon to 3 pm
Salford	high	noon to 3 pm
Southampton	high	3 to 6 pm
Swansea	high	3 to 6 pm
Tewkesbury	high	noon to 3 pm
Warwick	high	noon to 3 pm

* except during rain

Issued by National Pollen and Hay Fever Bureau

The pollen count for London issued by the Asthma Research Council at 10 am yesterday was 38 (low); for today's recording call British Telecom's Weatherline: 01-246 8091, which is updated each morning at 10.30.

Roads

London and South-East: M4: Lane closures between Heston service centre and junction 2 (Brentford). A24: Burst water main in East Street, Epsom. A20: Roadworks at Hollingbourne

Midlands: M1: One carriageway shared between junctions 15 and 16 (Northampton). M6: Lane closures from junctions 5 to 6 (Birmingham NE to Central). A429: Repairs south of Wellesbourne, Warwickshire.

North: M62: One carriageway shared beween junctions 23 and 24 (Huddersfield). A560: Diversion westbound at Carrington, Stockport. A66: Temporary lights four miles E of Bowes, co Durham.

Wales and West: A429: Temporary lights at Fossway, N of Northleach. M5: Northbound carriageway shared between junctions 8 (M50 junction) and 9 (Ashchurch). Royal Welsh Show, Llanelwedd, near Builth Wells, Powys: Heavy traffic on A470, A481, A483.

Scotland: A8: Lane closures on Princess Street, Edinburgh, 9.30am to 4pm. A9: Single lane, temporary lights S of Auchterarder, Tayside. A78: Roadworks at Loans bypass, Strathclyde.

Information supplied by the AA.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Conclusion of debate on defence estimates.

Lords: (2.30): Debates on Press Council report on Sutcliffe case; on the enforcement powers of the revenue departments; and on human rights.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.81	1.73
Austria Sch	28.85	27.30
Belgium Fr	81.75	77.75
Canada $	1.93	1.85
Denmark Kr	14.68	13.98
Finland Mkk	8.82	8.42
France Fr	12.20	11.70
Germany DM	4.08	3.88
Greece Dr	136.00	126.00
Hongkong $	11.35	10.70
Ireland Pt	1.29	1.23
Italy Lira	2415.00	2295.00
Japan Yen	385.00	365.00
Netherlands Gld	4.57	4.35
Norway Kr	11.55	11.00
Portugal Esc	184.50	174.50
South Africa Rd	2.07	1.92
Spain Pta	227.50	216.50
Sweden Kr	12.16	11.56
Switzerland Fr	3.34	3.17
USA $	1.56	1.51
Yugoslavia Dnr	141.00	134.00

Retail Price Index: 334.7.

London: The *FT* Index closed up 11.2 at 699.7.

Weather forecast

A ridge of high pressure covers Britain. A weak trough of low pressure over E Scotland moves towards Norway.

6 am to midnight

London, Central S, SW England, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Dry, sunny periods; wind E light or moderate; max 25C (77F).

SE England, East Anglia: Bright or sunny periods developing, mainly dry; wind E, moderate; max 23C (73F).

E, Central N, NE England, Borders: Bright or sunny intervals, mainly dry; wind variable, light; max 20C (68F).

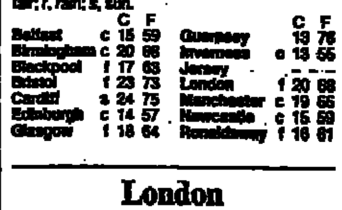
W Midlands, Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N Ireland. Dry, sunny periods; wind variable, light; max 21 to 23C (70 to 73F).

Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Cloudy, a little rain at first, becoming mostly dry, bright or sunny intervals; wind variable light; max 21C (70F).

NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland: Mostly cloudy, rain or drizzle on coasts and hills; wind W light or moderate; max 14 to 16C (57 to 61F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Mostly dry, bright or sunny periods, scattered thundery showers in S later. Becoming very warm generally.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dover, English Channel (E): wind variable, light; sea smooth. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: wind variable, light; sea smooth.



Sun rises: 5.06am | Sun sets: 9.07pm
Moon sets: 1.31am | Moon rises: 5.37pm
Full Moon June 25.

Lighting-up time

London 9.37 pm to 4.38 am
Bristol 9.46 pm to 4.48 am
Edinburgh 10.12 pm to 4.26 am
Manchester 9.55 pm to 4.36 am
Penzance 9.52 pm to 5.05 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

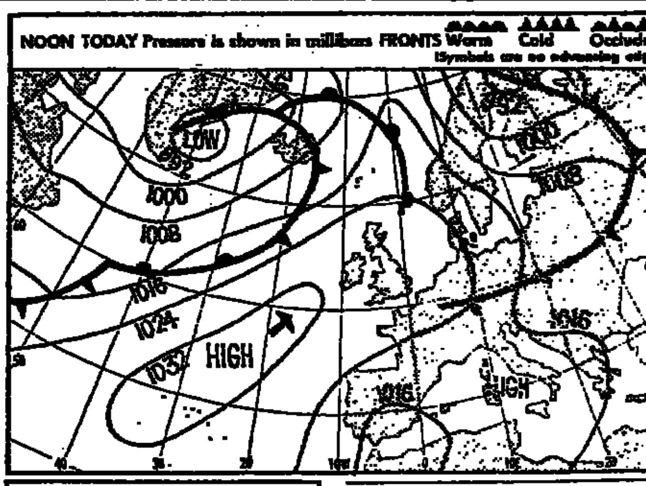
		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	15	59	Guernsey		13	76
Birmingham	c	20	68	Inverness	c	13	55
Blackpool	f	17	63	Jersey		–	–
Bristol	f	23	73	London	f	20	68
Cardiff	s	24	75	Manchester	c	19	66
Edinburgh	c	14	57	Newcastle	c	15	59
Glasgow	f	18	64	Ronaldsway	f	16	61

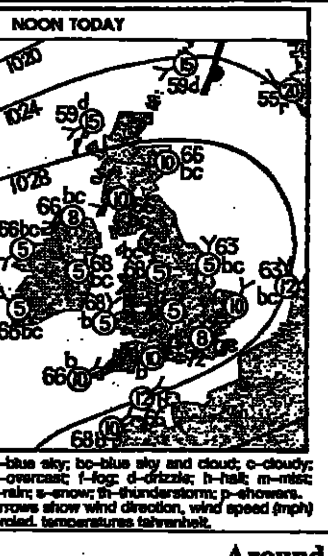
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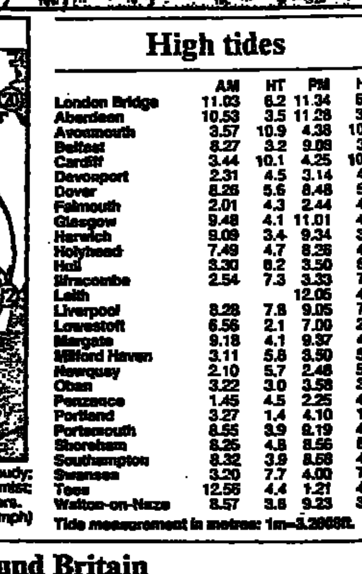
Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 24C (75F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 17C (63F). Humidity: 6 pm, 63 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 4.1 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,021.9 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53 in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Poole, Southampton, 27C (81F); lowest day max: Lerwick 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Lowestoft 0.25 in; highest sunshine: Guernsey, Douglas, 11.5 hr.







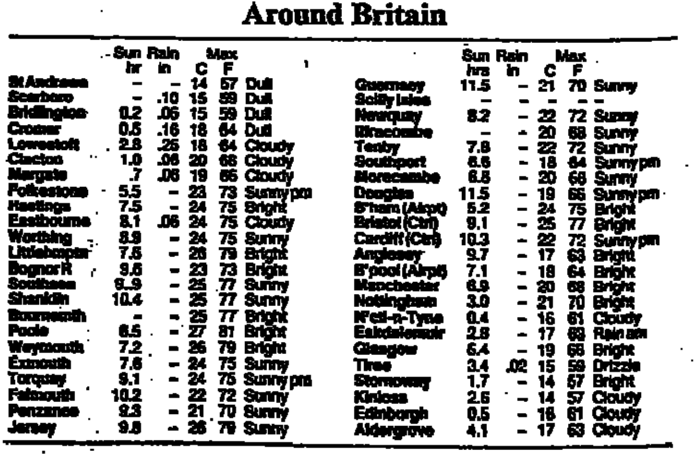
b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled, temperatures fahrenheit.

High tides

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	11.03	6.2	11.34	6.2
Aberdeen	10.53	3.5	11.28	3.4
Avonmouth	3.57	10.9	4.38	10.9
Belfast	8.27	3.2	9.09	3.1
Cardiff	3.44	10.1	4.25	10.1
Devonport	2.31	4.5	3.14	4.6
Dover	8.26	5.6	8.48	5.7
Falmouth	2.01	4.3	2.44	4.4
Glasgow	9.48	4.1	11.01	4.1
Harwich	9.09	3.4	9.34	3.5
Holyhead	7.49	4.7	8.26	4.6
Hull	3.30	6.2	3.50	6.3
Ilfracombe	2.54	7.3	3.33	7.3
Leith			12.05	4.9
Liverpool	8.28	7.8	9.05	7.9
Lowestoft	6.56	2.1	7.00	2.2
Margate	9.18	4.1	9.37	4.1
Milford Haven	3.11	5.8	3.50	5.6
Newquay	2.10	5.7	2.48	5.6
Oban	3.22	3.0	3.58	3.1
Penzance	1.45	4.5	2.25	4.6
Portland	3.27	1.4	4.10	1.5
Portsmouth	8.55	3.9	9.19	4.1
Shoreham	8.25	4.8	8.56	6.2
Southampton	8.32	3.9	8.58	4.1
Swansea	3.20	7.7	4.00	7.8
Tees	12.56	4.4	1.21	4.6
Walton-on-Naze	8.57	3.6	9.23	3.6

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain



	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
St Andrews	–	–	14	57	Dull
Scarboro	–	.10	15	59	Dull
Bridlington	0.2	.06	15	59	Dull
Cromer	0.5	.16	18	64	Dull
Lowestoft	2.8	.25	18	64	Cloudy
Clacton	1.0	.06	20	68	Cloudy
Margate	.7	.06	19	66	Cloudy
Folkestone	5.5	–	23	73	Sunny pm
Hastings	7.5	–	24	75	Bright
Eastbourne	8.1	.06	24	75	Cloudy
Worthing	8.9	–	24	75	Sunny
Littlehmptn	7.6	–	26	79	Bright
Bognor R	9.6	–	23	73	Bright
Southsea	9.9	–	25	77	Sunny
Shanklin	10.4	–	25	77	Sunny
Bournemouth	–	–	25	77	Bright
Poole	6.5	–	27	81	Bright
Weymouth	7.2	–	26	79	Bright
Exmouth	7.6	–	24	75	Sunny
Torquay	9.1	–	24	75	Sunny pm
Falmouth	10.2	–	22	72	Sunny
Penzance	9.3	–	21	70	Sunny
Jersey	9.8	–	26	79	Sunny

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Guernsey	11.5	–	21	70	Sunny
Scilly Isles	–	–	–	–	–
Newquay	8.2	–	22	72	Sunny
Ilfracombe	–	–	20	68	Sunny
Tenby	7.8	–	22	72	Sunny
Southport	6.6	–	18	64	Sunny pm
Morecambe	6.8	–	20	68	Sunny
Douglas	11.5	–	19	66	Sunny pm
S'ham (Airpt)	5.2	–	24	75	Bright
Bristol (Ctr)	9.1	–	25	77	Bright
Cardiff (Ctr)	10.3	–	22	72	Sunny pm
Anglesey	9.7	–	17	63	Bright
B'pool (Airpt)	7.1	–	18	64	Bright
Manchester	6.9	–	20	68	Bright
Nottingham	3.0	–	21	70	Bright
N'cstl-n-Tyne	0.4	–	16	61	Cloudy
Eskdalemuir	2.8	–	17	63	Rain am
Glasgow	6.4	–	19	66	Bright
Tiree	3.4	.02	15	59	Drizzle
Stornoway	1.7	–	14	57	Bright
Kinloss	2.6	–	14	57	Cloudy
Edinburgh	0.5	–	16	61	Cloudy
Aldergrove	4.1	–	17	63	Cloudy

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow d, drizzle.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	30	86	Copenhgn	c	18	64
Akrotiri	s	28	82	Corfu	s	24	75
Alexandria	c	29	84	Dallas*	s	32	90
Algiers*	s	31	88	Dublin	f	17	63
Amsterdam	c	20	68	Dubrovnik	s	31	88
Athens	s	33	91	Faro	f	23	73
Bahrain	s	41	105	Florence	c	33	91
Barbados*	r	27	81	Frankfurt	c	22	72
Barcelona	f	32	90	Funchal	f	23	73
Beirut		–		Geneva	s	30	86
Belgrade	s	32	90	Gibraltar	s	29	84
Berlin	c	24	75	Helsinki	s	22	72
Bermuda*	f	31	88	Hongkong	f	32	90
Biarritz	c	23	73	Innsbruck	s	29	84
Boulogne	f	20	68	Istanbul	s	26	79
Bordeaux	f	27	81	Jeddah			
Brussels	f	24	75	Jo'burg	s	16	61
Budapest	s	32	90	Karachi	c	33	91
Buenos Aires*	s	14	57	Las Palmas	s	25	77
Cairo	s	22	77	Lisbon	f	23	73
Cape Tn	r	17	63	Locarno	s	29	84
C'blanca	f	24	75	L Angeles*	f	23	73
Chicago*	f	29	84	Luxembg	c	24	75
Cologne	r	21	70	Madrid	s	29	84

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Majorca	s	33	91	Rio de Jan	d	18	64
Malaga	s	24	75	Rome	s	32	90
Malta*	s	29	84	Salzburg	s	31	88
Melbourne*	s	15	59	Sao Paulo*	c	13	55
Mexico C*	f	19	66	S Francisco*	c	17	63
Miami*	s	34	93	Santiago*	s	13	55
Milan	s	32	90	Seoul*	r	24	75
Montreal*	f	26	79	Singapore	f	31	88
Moscow	f	23	73	Stockholm	s	19	66
Munich	s	30	86	Strasbourg	s	31	88
Nairobi				Sydney*	s	15	59
Naples	s	30	86	Tangier	s	24	75
New Delhi	s	35	95	Tel Aviv	s	30	86
New York*	s	33	91	Tenerife	c	26	79
Nice	f	27	81	Tokyo	s	29	84
Oslo	s	17	63	Toronto*	s	31	88
Ottawa				Tunis	s	33	91
Paris	f	25	77	Valencia	f	28	82
Peking	s	30	86	Vancouver*	s	20	68
Perth*	c	18	64	Venice	s	30	86
Prague	s	28	82	Vienna	s	32	90
Reykjavik	r	8	46	Warsaw	f	26	79
Rhodes	s	34	93	Washington*	s	36	97
Riyadh	s	46	115	Zurich	s	30	86

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available

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